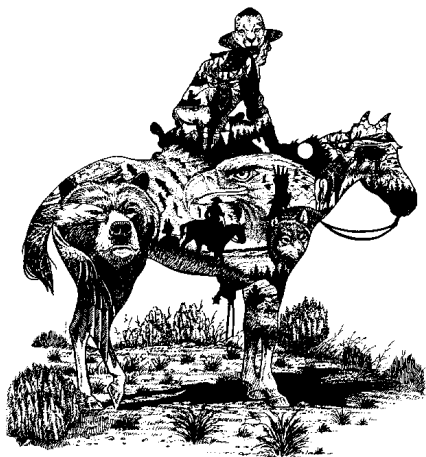


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President's Message

Tim Deboodt, Prineville, Oregon

Hello and Greetings from Central Oregon,

Time slips away and I find myself behind, graciously being nudged to get this written so the winter letter can get to you. Welcome to our first electronically distributed newsletter. Hopefully you receive it without hitches. If you have suggestions for improvement, please let me know.

It was wonderful to see a great PNW Section representation at the SRM Annual Meeting in Corpus Christi, Texas. It was disappointing to hear of many who wanted to attend, either to present papers, poster, symposium or participate in committees that serve our Society, but were not able to come. I am baffled. I cannot offer solutions to our members who work for federal agencies and who want to share experiences and develop themselves professionally, but are not able to participate in this professional development opportunity. An excellent program which includes presentations of research, successful implementation of management to meet resource objectives, and the ability to rub elbows with the masters of the profession, should not be missed. Many people are working on this problem. My hope is that someone will find the weak link and fix it.

Huge thanks to **Pat Shaver** (one of our own) who served as the Society's President this past year, and who led us during the annual meeting in Corpus Christi. Pat's "journey" includes many years of service to the Society. **We are grateful Pat!!** Thanks to **Sandy Wyman** (Society Membership Chair) and our next PNW Section president. Sandy is a constant SRM cheerleader and is always recruiting new members. Sandy, your tireless efforts do not go unnoticed. Thanks to **Mike Borman** and the OSU Department of Animal & Range Sciences for hosting our PNW "round-up" in

Texas. For many years, the OSU Range Department has provided the resources to conduct this event which is greatly appreciated as it gives another opportunity for PNW members to gather and interact.

Moving forward, our PNW Section must decide if and how this can continue at future Society annual meetings.

Mary Jo Foley-Birrenkott (our new Section secretary) and other young professionals in the PNW are bringing new energy to our organization. Look to these folks to begin offering opportunities within our Section and Society, for young professionals and those of us who are later in our careers, to interact with each other through mentorship and professional activities that are directed at the challenges and opportunities that are in front of them. Thank you Mary Jo and your group!

Mark your calendars! Hold **June 8-10** for our PNW Summer Workshop in British Columbia; **October 12-14** for our PNW Annual Meeting & Workshop in Oregon. See the BC page and Bob Ehrhart's fall comments. I am looking forward to the June workshop because it has been decades (!) since I was last in BC. The BC Chapter has worked hard to make this a great professional development learning opportunity. Hope to see you there!

Remember, we, your Board, are here to serve you. You can find our contact information in this letter. Let us know how we can help you, and when possible, remember to recruit a new member to SRM.

Thanks! *Tim*



NEWSLETTER

October in Corvallis

Bob Ehrhart (the chair who agreed to be "volunteered!")

You'll walk in oak woodland/oak savannah restoration projects accomplished by multiple cooperators. What's the latest on targeted grazing? Can you use drones for research? Are there online education opportunities? Add the buffet, awards, silent auction (it supports our students), an opportunity to remind yourself how much you know - or don't know - about plant identification (without embarrassing yourself!), membership meeting . . . and more! Wednesday afternoon through Friday morning . . . details will be in the summer newsletter.

See you in Corvallis this fall!!

69th Society for Range Management Annual Meeting, Corpus Christi, Texas

January 31 - February 4, 2016

Tales from Texas sprinkled with Sea Salt!

(thanks to Bob Gillaspy & Gene Fults) Highlights or a-ha moments from folks who were in Texas

Sandra Wyman, Prineville, OR: With presentations & committee meetings ahead of me, my hard drive failed and I lost my voice. Thanks to **Mary Jo & Mike Birrenkott**, I made it. We presented new member brochures to Advisory Council and got great feedback. Membership Committee had good discussion on membership options. Board of Directors voted to have one membership renewal date, January 1; this will go to the membership for vote. A new website will bring SRM into current technology for members. SRM Budget is running in the black. DOW Agro-Sciences sponsored gifts for SRM graduates of 2016. The OSU/PNW Section mixer was bittersweet as it is **Mike Borman's** last annual meeting before he retires June 30. It is hard to imagine OSU without Mike!

Ricardo Mata-Gonzales, Corvallis, OR: Visiting Corpus Christi was a great personal experience. Having done my PhD at Texas Tech University, I talked with many good friends from that time and space. Touching the waters of the Atlantic Ocean inspired me to get a good dose of vitamin D before returning to Corvallis! It was great to see all the youth; SRM has been smart in encouraging and promoting student participation because it helps guarantee its own sustainability. I enjoyed time with students in a relaxed atmosphere out of the academic walls of OSU. At the same time, it was great to see my old heroes, professors and mentors with all their wisdom and great smiles. I look forward to the fantastic annual family reunion of SRM next year in St. George, Utah!

High School Youth Forum (HSYF)

Danika Zinger, Pritchard, BC: The HSYF was very well organized and informative. My highlights were the Forum Paper Presentations and the tour of the Texas State Aquarium. Presentations were phenomenal and it was amazing to listen to all the other delegates. I presented "*Cows in Trees: Range Management in BC Forests*". I described the negative and positive impacts of cattle grazing, the different stakeholders, and steps that can be taken towards more sustainable cattle grazing. The aquarium was a different learning experience in a super relaxed setting. I touched stingrays, sharks and a snake! Thank you to all who make HSYF possible, and allowing me to participate. It was memorable and I definitely recommend it.

Danika meets Kai the dolphin at the aquarium. photo by Lisa Page



Tyler Thomas, Burns, OR: During HSYF, I gained knowledge about Texas rangelands, and I made friends from all over the nation. I only knew about the rangelands around Harney County, and had little experience with other invasive grass species. This experience taught me about problems outside of the Great Basin. I made friends that I will forever remember, and all would like to pursue a career in range. I met nationally renowned scientists and created

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doors for my future in rangeland management. I presented "Is modern day livestock grazing ecologically appropriate in Great Basin sage-grouse habitat?" From the paleo history of grazing to the evolution of plant communities, I concluded that modern regulated grazing is consistent with maintaining sage-grouse habitat.

Tyler gives his presentation at HSYF. by Chad Boyd



Sheryl Ann Wurtz, Pritchard, BC: The King Ranch is making it work when cattle and wildlife are equally important. Hunting is part of its livelihood and it has several hunting lodges. The ranch developed hunting reg's as far back as 1912 and has employed a full-time biologist since 1945. They have many management techniques, but the one common theme is that if they manage for quail habitat, everything is managed for. The **HSYF was fantastic**. The kids worked incredibly hard on their presentations, better than most professionals that I see. Kids were from all over the US, so I learned about different issues, programs and priorities. **If I had not gone as a chaperone**, I would not have attended the HSYF presentations; there were few that did and that is a shame. *(ed: HSYF chaperones Sheryl Wurtz & Chad Boyd added that Danika & Tyler gave outstanding presentations. They were impressed with the information pulled together and the pride with which it was presented.)*

University Students & Advisors, EOU, La Grande, & OSU, Corvallis

Brandi White, EOU (Hermiston, OR): My highlight was learning more about riparian restoration and the variety of management methods. At the Rangeland Management Education workshop I learned how to teach K-6 students about various rangeland management topics. I had a great time!

Jaycee Leonard, OSU: I learned about my own perceptions and understanding of rangelands while preparing and presenting for the Range Cup Competition. While presenting a poster for my graduate research, I had good conversations with professors and researchers from other universities. I made connections for research and possible jobs in the YPC and in Wild Women of the Range, which was the most memorable event I attended.

Mike Eytchison, EOU (Boise, ID): SRM is a valuable resource for education and research in the management of rangelands. In Texas the focus was on diversity of rangelands and their wildlife component. What we learned can easily be applied to Oregon rangelands.

Justin Pranger, OSU (Heppner, OR): I went into the meeting with a mind-set of learning what happens. I came home knowing what I need to bring, as well as how to prepare myself for the competitions. I met many professionals who could potentially aid me in my upcoming years as a young rangeland professional. With knowledge gained this year, my goal is to leave next year with an internship that could lead to a full time job.

Hayden Boll, EOU (Idaho): I learned a lot and had a great time attending seminars and speaking with the researchers about the studies they presented. It was also great to get to the beach, and get to know my fellow students better.

Bobby Burdick, OSU (Auburn, WA): SRM is a great place for networking. I made connections in the private sector and with federal agencies that could lead to interviews and job offers. I enjoyed the opportunity to talk directly with researchers in rangeland management and learn about their challenges. It was a great experience.

JoAnna Perren, EOU (Enterprise, OR): In the poster contest, I presented my summer research "Interactions between *Venttenata dubia* and fire in the Pacific Northwest Bunchgrass Prairie". This was a great experience to meet all the different people, who have many different opinions on most every topic that was presented. I went to many presentations and wish I could have gone to more. Overall, this was an amazing and new experience for me. I am grateful and hope to do it again in the future.

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69th Society for Range Management Annual Meeting, Corpus Christi, Texas

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Tracy Kownig, OSU (Burns, OR): I came, I saw, and I was conquered. It was a blast! I participated in several events including the URME and the Range Cup. I attended several lectures covering a broad range of subjects. What I liked best about the SRM meeting was the atmosphere. I was given opportunity to learn, ask all sorts of questions, and walk away inspired by many new subjects and new ideas.

Yvette Gibson, OSU, Corvallis/Hesperus, CO: At a Range Club meeting last spring, the club swore they would start prepping for SRM the first week of Fall Quarter. . . and they did! They met twice a week through fall to the beginning of winter, to study plants and play URME jeopardy. For the Rangeland Cup, they tackled the question of how to leverage social media to educate & engage the public in knowing and caring about rangelands. Their poster received high marks, but did not take the Cup. Students competed in events and participated in Job Fair. Chattering around the hotel pool one evening, it was so rewarding to hear their inspiration and passion! Thanks to **Tom Bedell's** commitment to students, ten OSU students attended SRM.

Lesley Morris, EOU, La Grande, OR: The highlight of every meeting for me is getting to see our students form new contacts and learning how SRM will be an asset to each of them in their career. We always have such a fantastic group in our Range Club, and it is an honor to introduce them to my colleagues from around the region. Now that I have been at OSU/EOU for 3 years, I am starting to see former students at meetings. It is truly rewarding to see how attending these meetings can impact students.

And now, for the rest of the story . . ."

Tom Hilken, Portland, OR (Washington DC): I was one of the coordinators for the Forest Service's hiring event. We successfully filled 3 needed positions in Oregon. Thanks to SRM'ers **Maura Laverty, Ernie Gipson, Steve Gibson**, plus others, for their time and effort in making the **On-Site-Hiring** a success. We filled 15 entry level rangeland management specialist positions. Several of the selected applicants also received some type of accomplishment award from the SRM. Clearly we were getting the best of the best.

Michael Borman, Corvallis, OR: One of my highlights was reconnecting with **Darren Bruhjell**, formerly of the PNW Section via BC, and now in Alberta. We have missed Darren at PNW meetings for the past few years. It was really good to see and visit with him again. Same funny guy! Mort Kothmann & Diana Doan-Crider, from Texas A&M, hosted a discussion to re-evaluate the Rangeland Management Specialist rating system and the changes likely needed in curriculums for those wishing to qualify. Changes in curricula and accreditation are likely outcomes over the next few years. Faculty from La Grande and Corvallis participated and can incorporate what they heard into our internal program review.

Maura Laverty, Baker City, OR:

(ed. Maura has been hiding her poetic skills!!)

The weather was warm, the wind was strong,
my time in Corpus was not very long.
On-Site-Hiring consumed all my time,
if it weren't for SRM socials, I'd have no rhyme.
PNW and Idaho Sections, Wild Women in Range,
with friends new & old, I wandered the Corpus Christi range.
Good seafood and BBQ, I enjoyed while there,
the USS Lexington and ocean, from my hotel window I did stare.
Filling Forest Service Range Specialist positions from a room with no view,
sure made me wish I'd seen all of you!



*Looking out over Corpus Christi Bay, you could watch oil, gas and cargo freight coming and going from this large port of the Gulf of Mexico.
by Gene and Linda Hickman*

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Gene & Linda Hickman, Bend, OR: Favorite indoor sessions: 1. riparian water management/grazing, 2. adaptive grazing, and 3. latest in ecological site development. Field trips to the historic King Ranch and McFadden Ranch showed how ranchers deal with aggressive coastal brush fields of mesquite (once prairie) to maintain livestock grazing. For most large ranches, wildlife hunting leases make up roughly half of the ranch income. From relaxing ocean views, an abundance of gas-oil facilities, to the fascinating ranching history since early Spanish land grants, we were impressed. This SE Texas Coastal Plain, formerly a 6 million acre prairie, has transitioned to dense woodland brush (without treatment) over the last half century. And then there was the largest coastal live oak tree of record, a massive 11+ feet diameter.



Southern live oak woodland is found from Texas to Florida. This 1000 year-old, 11.5 feet diameter oak was north of Corpus Christi where Whooping Cranes commonly winter along the Gulf. by Gene & Linda Hickman

Mike Malmberg, Fort Steele, BC: Spectacular venue! Looking over the Gulf of Mexico to watch great ships move gracefully through the waves got our heads out of the routine of farm chores and snow! Adaptive Grazing Strategies Symposium presented an inclusive approach, required for the complex ecological systems, multiple values, and conflicting uses of our rangelands. It kept me glued to my seat, missing other sessions! Plenary speakers provided two take-home moments: **a.** attitudes and respect between wildlife, ecological and livestock grazing interests on rangelands have changed dramatically over time and **b.** the culture in which you operate changes you and your thoughts. **This underlines the importance of SRM with its culture of open and respectful consideration for a wide range of people, perspectives and opinions.**

Darren Bruhjell, Beaumont, Alberta: My highlight was seeing **Mike & Mike** (*Borman & Malmberg*). Sad for Oregon State hearing of Dr. Borman's June retirement, but extremely happy for him at the same time. I didn't recognize a lot of other PNW folks at the social, but I think that is a good thing as it means new members! I didn't have time to visit with those I did recognize, but perhaps Osoyoos, BC (*in June*) will provide opportunity. Having said that, I'm always afraid of anything that Mr. France organizes!! (*ed: Bob France is BC coordinator!*)

Sharon Mielnichuk, Fort Steele, BC: Reflections of a non-member! The 69th SRM meeting in Texas was anxiously anticipated as the first stop on our winter getaway. My understanding and knowledge of the rangeland resource is far more general than that of the professionals. Looking for sessions that have a social impact on the stewards of the land, I attended Adaptive Grazing Strategies and Stockmanship: Principles, Practice and Wildlife Rangeland benefits. The underlying message I received from both sessions was remember the principles and apply the science to your situation. Not a bad lesson for life itself!

Amanda Gearhart, Burns/Prineville, OR: My highlight: catching up with folks from all over the nation that I see only once a year, to hear about cool projects & cutting edge research, and brainstorm potential collaborations.

Chad Boyd, Burns, OR: Catching up with colleagues from across the West to compare notes on research and management issues. There was interest in Oregon's Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances for Greater Sage-Grouse. The CCAA's are agreements with private landowners to manage sage-grouse habitat in exchange for the promise of no additional regulatory burden if the species were to be listed at some point. I got the distinct impression that folks are interested in the notion of ecosystem-based conservation of sensitive species, so maybe we are headed in the right direction here in Oregon.

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Mary Jo Foley-Birrenkott, Corvallis, OR: I've gone to 3 SRM annual meetings, but this was the first as a young professional rather than student. Serving the Young Professionals Conclave (YPC) as Public Relations Officer and liaison to SRM Membership & Outreach Committees meant I attended a lot of meetings as part of the team.

I was astounded by the many people that are so excited and eager to propel young professionals into the range management field and SRM. Thanks to the PNW Section for the E. William Anderson professional development scholarship which helped me get to Texas. I learned about **Bill Anderson**, his service to the range community, and the incredible legacy that he left behind - he clearly was a remarkable man.

Kirk Davies, Burns, OR: The best part was catching up with old friends and eating excellent seafood every day! Technical and poster sessions were full of information to "chew on", too.

Pete Schreder, Lakeview, OR: The day touring the King Ranch was well worth the visit. The cattle industry has so much history behind it, and the King Ranch has played a key role. They have a very impressive resource management structure, and there is so much diversity behind the King Ranch Empire. It was interesting to learn about the development of the Santa Gertrudis breed of cattle that originated from the King Ranch, formerly known as the Santa Gertrudis Ranch.

Old Carriage House at Santa Gertrudis Ranch by Pete Schreder



Carlos Ochoa, Corvallis, OR: A highlight for me was being able to tour the King Ranch. Learning about the origins and the historical and current management of the ranch was phenomenal. The water distribution system they have developed to support their livestock operation is impressive. Equally impressive is the whole brush control and management of the landscape to favor both cattle and wildlife habitat.

Gene Fults, Portland, OR/Vancouver WA: Ironic that the symposium for the Lesser Prairie Chicken, which inhabits the hottest and most southern biome for prairie grouse, was held in the room with the coldest temperature at the meeting facility. I vote for Sea Salt!

John & Eileen Williams, Enterprise, OR: Two things stand out. First, as we wandered back from a San Antonio side-trip, we counted oil refineries. Seems like each small town had two obvious things: a great football field and a refinery. We counted 11 refineries in about 50 miles. Second: **Sherman Swanson** (UNR) explaining the principles of successful riparian grazing (my notes, beware of old tired note-takers). He makes it so simple while wrapping up with three principles: 1. strengthen important forage plants with short use OR moderate intensity use during growing season. 2. have enough growing season recovery time before the next use. 3. graze at a different time from one year to the next. . . much more can be found in the Nevada Rangeland Monitoring Handbook.



Corpus Christi is the site for many oil / gas refineries and tank farms, processing supplies from land wells and floating oil platforms in the gulf. by Gene and Linda Hickman

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On the Range, Students to Young Professionals

Bedell Scholarships for Students

John Buckhouse, PNW Awards, and Andrea Mann, PNW Student Activities

We owe much to many. The PNW roster is filled with giants - the men and women who dedicated their lives and talents to insuring that SRM and the PNW are what they are. For example, **Tom Bedell** and **Gretchen Bencene**.

Tom received his PhD at OSU in Rangeland Resources. After stints as Extension Specialist around the West, he settled in Oregon as the Statewide Rangeland Extension Specialist. For four decades, Tom was a well known, liked and respected member of the PNW community. Active in the PNW and international SRM, he served on committees AND was President of both! Tom received the PNW Trail Boss and the SRM Renner Award, the highest honor bestowed by each! Tom and his wife, Gretchen Bencene, were well known throughout SRM.

A dozen years ago, Tom and Gretchen donated \$100,000 to the OSU Foundation to set up the Bedell Ranch Internship Program. This gift has allowed students from OSU & EOU to spend a summer on working ranches to learn the skills, language, life-style, and the planning and management effort it takes to be a successful rancher. The intent is that as the interns understand ranching, their careers in other aspects/jobs of rangeland management will be more productive. The Bedell gift provides a full year's tuition when the intern returns to school!

At Tom's passing, four years ago, he bequeathed another \$40,000 to be used over 4 years to help PNW university students attend the SRM Annual Meetings. From 2013 to 2016, **56 students from BC, WA and OR have benefited from this experience**. That gift ended with the meeting at Corpus Christi . . . what a gift it has been!

The students have thanked Gretchen for this financial boost and for the marvelous professional experiences that provided. It seems appropriate that we members of the PNW ought to drop a note to Gretchen as well. All of us have benefited from this generosity. We are equally sure that Gretchen would love to hear from you and get your take on this. **Please drop a note to her: Gretchen Bencene, 2914 NW 29th St., Corvallis, OR 97330**

What is the YPC? And, what does it mean to a young professional?

by Mary Jo Foley-Birrenkott

The Young Professionals Conclave is dedicated to building a bridge between students and professionals within SRM and the field of rangeland management. During 2015, I served as the Public Relations Officer for YPC and will serve as Vice President this year. I was fortunate to capture some great opportunities through the YPC, and truly hope that others will jump on the prospects that YPC provides.

YPC targets students in their senior year or in graduate studies, and/or those in their first five years in a rangeland management related job. Originally inspired to "pass the torch", YPC now strengthens relationships between all professional levels within the SRM and promotes a reinforced level of leadership, education, research, and stewardship from young professionals in rangeland management. It increases opportunities to build relationships and mentorships, and allows the younger generation to be more inclusive in Society decisions and framework.

To increase involvement and retention of younger members, more YPC members are serving on committees within SRM, which provides two scholarships to travel to the meeting each year. One of the most exciting aspects of the YPC is the serving President is invited with the SRM Board of Directors to Washington DC to meet with top officials.

Officers of YPC have a monthly conference call to update, brainstorm, plan and organize. Based on conversations at Texas, one of the main priorities is to establish YPC at the section level. This would help us be more effective with involvement and outreach, and open more opportunities to members to have a stronger purpose within the YPC. In our PNW Section, this will require a committee of young professionals who are willing to take on leadership roles. **Let me know if you are interested!**

I will keep you updated about YPC, especially within our PNW Section. If you have question, ideas, or you are a young professional and want to get involved, please contact me at mjfoley316@gmail.com Thank You!

Presented in Corpus Christi!

Vegetation Characteristics of Crested Wheatgrass Stands vary by post-seeding Precipitation, Disturbance History, and Management

Dr. Kirk Davies & Aleta Nafus, Research Scientists, E. OR. Agriculture Research Center

Crested wheatgrass has been seeded across millions of hectares of the sagebrush steppe and is often associated with native species displacement and low biological diversity. However, native vegetation composition of these seedings can be variable. To better understand the correlation between vegetation characteristics of crested wheatgrass seedings and their planting history and management, we evaluated 121 crested wheatgrass seedings across a 54230 km² area in southeastern Oregon. Higher precipitation in the year following seeding of crested wheatgrass has long-term, negative effects on Wyoming big sagebrush cover and density. Wyoming big sagebrush cover and density were positively correlated with age of seeding and time since fire. Pre-seeding disturbance (burned, scarified, plowed, or herbicide) appears to have legacy effects on plant community characteristics. Herbicide treated sites had significantly less shrubs than sites that were burned or scarified pre-seeding. Native vegetation cover and density was greater in grazed compared to ungrazed crested wheatgrass stands. This study's results suggest a number of factors influence native vegetation cover and density within stands of crested wheatgrass. Though disturbance history and precipitation following seeding can't be changed, management actions can be used to affect the cover and abundance of native vegetation in crested wheatgrass stands. Notably, grazing may reduce monoculture characteristics of crested wheatgrass stands and fire exclusion may promote sagebrush and perennial forbs.

The Influence of Soil Color on Seedbed Microclimate & Seedling Demographics of a Perennial Bunchgrass

Dr. Chad Boyd & Dr. Kirk Davies, Research Scientists, E. OR. Agriculture Research Center

Our previous research showed that the blackened soil left behind under burned shrubs following fire can have increased seeding success for perennial bunchgrasses. In our current research we investigated why that might be. Specifically, we created black soils using fine surface layers of black aquarium sand and compared establishment of seeded bluebunch wheatgrass in black vs. natural colored plots. We found that with adequate moisture (about 80% of average) seedling density was higher on black soils. However, in a drought year, the black soils were associated with higher soil temperatures and lower soil moisture than lighter colored soils, leading to fewer seedlings. From a management standpoint, our data suggest that in years where precipitation approaches average conditions, a predominance of post-fire black soils may be an indicator of areas with high restoration potential.

Member Update.....

Oh no, **Greg Tegart**, and **Tony Svejcar** have "retired"! Can that really be? Yes!!

Greg's range work with the BC Ministry of Agriculture began in 1978 at Kamloops, then led to Creston, Vernon Kelowna, and back to Vernon. On that trail he's been a Range Specialist, Agrologist, Agriculture Manager and Regional Director. He's been like "glue" to SRM, at both the Section and Society levels. The Section named him a Trail Boss and the Society presented the Outstanding Achievement in Stewardship Award. Regardless of what "hat" you wore, if you were around Greg, you learned something from him.

Tony started as the Research Leader of the Agriculture Research Center in Burns, OR in 1990. With a strong research staff and an advisory committee representing all of Eastern Oregon, Tony has built a "team" to address issues important to all of us in the Great Basin ecosystem (fire, juniper, sage grouse habitat, seeding, . . . you name it and they are researching it). Tony is "retired" but not gone; with an OSU courtesy faculty appointment, he will keep his fingers "dirty", but without so much paper work!

Calendar of Events

Wednesday June 8th to Friday June 10th 2016
 PNW SRM Summer Workshop
 Osoyoos, British Columbia

Wednesday October 12th to Friday October 14th 2016
 PNW SRM Annual Meeting & Workshop,
 Corvallis, OR

2017 SRM Technical Training, Annual Meeting & Trade Show
 St. George, Utah

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