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NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

"Duck Stamp" judging. Judging for the 1982 Federal "Duck Stamp" contest will begin at 1 p.m., on November 3, 1982, at the Main Interior Building auditorium at 18th and C Streets, N.W., in Washington, D.C. This preliminary round of screening and public viewing will be followed with further judging and selection of the winning design on November 4, 1982, beginning at 9 a.m. at the same location.

The new, 2-day judging process will allow the public a greater opportunity to view the numerous, colorful waterfowl art designs, from which the 1983-84 Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp will be chosen. The contest, in its 33rd year, is the Federal Government's only regularly-sponsored art competition.

This year there are 1,564 entries, down from last year's record number of 2,099. This year, however, is the first time that the Fish and Wildlife Service has imposed a \$20 entry fee in an effort to defray the administrative costs of running the popular contest.

Through the annual sale of roughly 2.2 million "Duck Stamps" to waterfowl hunters and other conservationists, millions of acres of prime waterfowl habitat have been added to the National Wildlife Refuge System throughout the United States.

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New fisheries chief. Dr. Joseph H. Kutkuhn, director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Great Lakes Fishery Laboratory in Ann Arbor, Michigan, for the past 7 years, has been appointed the agency's associate director--fishery resources.

In his new position in Washington, D.C., Kutkuhn, 55, will manage the Fish and Wildlife Service's 89 National Fish Hatcheries and its network of fishery assistance offices that provide technical expertise to other Federal and State agencies and Indian tribes. He will also direct the Service's engineering and energy management programs.

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Kutkuhn is a 24-year career veteran of the Service. His career has included service with the old Federal Bureau of Commercial Fisheries and the California Department of Fish and Game. He has also been an adviser to the United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organization.

Kutkuhn has served on advisory panels of the Great Lakes Fishery and International Joint Commissions. Since 1979, he has chaired a Federal-State-Tribal panel developing technical data for managing fisheries in Great Lakes waters ceded by 19th century Indian treaties. He received the Interior Department's meritorious service award in 1982 and holds degrees in fishery management from Colorado State and Iowa State Universities.

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Golden eagle pamphlet. A new, 16-page pamphlet on the ecology and management of the golden eagle has recently been published by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in cooperation with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas A&M University.

The booklet is designed to help people understand and identify this bird-of-prey, as well as explain research and management activities that aid in resolving conflicts between eagles and people. The physical characteristics, food habits, nesting behavior, migration, and life history of the golden eagle are described.

Single copies of the pamphlet "The Golden Eagle" are available from the Publications Unit, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240. Copies are also available from each of the Service's seven regional offices and from most offices of the Agricultural Extension Service.

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