

ANNUAL REPORT -- 1993

Financial Status (total of conference and operating accounts)

January 1, 1993	\$36,450.36
January 1, 1994	32,985.45

Membership Count (total of all categories)

January 1, 1993	244
January 1, 1994	256

Major Program Activities in 1993

Biennial Conferences -- This past year witnessed a flurry of conference activities. Editor Bill Wise (State University of New York - Stony Brook) completed the proceedings to our 12th International Conference (1990, San Antonio), which was published and mailed to conference registrants and 1990 members. TCS 13 proceedings (1992, Washington, DC) are in final production, thanks to efforts by editors Bland Crowder and Maurice Lynch (Virginia Institute of Marine Science). And planning is now complete for TCS 14 April 17-20, 1994 in Charleston, South Carolina.

Coastal Forum -- A major activity during 1993 was our Coastal Forum in April. The event provided a daylong dialog with a dozen other groups involved in coastal issues. Our goals were to build on the successful theme of our 1992 conference ("Organizing for the Future -- Building Coalitions") and to unite with other associations and organizations. The meeting marked the beginning of planning for TCS 14.

Directory -- The Board has decided to publish a "Coastal Directory". The Board is investigating several formats, styles, and audiences. Gary Magnuson and Judy Tucker have discussed our plans with users and collaborators. Our goals are to avoid duplication with existing products and to provide a service to the coastal community.

Bulletin -- TCS completed the 16th year of publishing the quarterly Bulletin, our newsletter of information on Society activities, coastal information, and newsworthy events. After several production problems in 1992 the Society published five issues last year.

Coastal Zone 93 -- TCS maintained its tradition of working closely with organizers of the biennial Coastal Zone conferences. In July we organized a session summarizing our work on coalition building and the TCS 13 conference.

ICCOPS -- TCS became an honorary member of the International Centre for Coastal and Ocean Policy Studies of Genoa, Italy. Our advisory role will provide international opportunities.

Board Meetings and Annual Business Meeting -- The Board of Directors met in January, April, and August. Meetings included reports from officers and standing committees plus discussions on our conferences and special programs with other organizations. Key actions are noted in the Bulletin. Summary notes are available from the main address. The annual business meeting was held in conjunction with CZ 93 in New Orleans in July.

Expanded Professional Services -- TCS continued to improve its overall service to members and its coastal constituents. We now utilize skilled professionals to assist with membership records and conference planning (Judy Tucker), production editing (Emily Domurad and Jackie Bigford), and financial management (Matthew Babson). As always TCS volunteers serving on the Board of Directors will work with staff to provide members with cost-effective management and a complete range of member services.

Major Plans for 1994

Board Meetings and Annual Business Meeting -- The Board will meet quarterly. The first meeting was January 7-8; next we'll meet in April during our 14th International Conference. Summer and fall meetings will be announced in the Bulletin. The annual business meeting will be in Charleston during TCS 14.

TCS Visions -- The Board is planning a special meeting prior to TCS 14 to discuss future directions for the Society. These ideas will be announced in Charleston and in future Bulletins.

Future Role in Coastal Zone Conferences -- TCS has been approached by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Coastal Zone Foundation about expanding its role in planning the biennial Coastal Zone conferences. Past President Margaret Davidson and Secretary Gary Magnuson are deeply involved in planning for CZ 95 and beyond.

Shifts in Executive Leadership -- Career changes will force the Executive Director Tom Bigford to resign. He will remain editor of the Bulletin. Most executive duties will shift to our professional staff. Members will continue to receive their accustomed services and publications.

Committee Activities -- The Education Committee is planning special student paper awards for TCS 14. The Special Projects Committee is working with staff on the Coastal Directory. Other efforts will be determined over the year.

Executive Director -- Thomas E. Bigford
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