

**CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR
SCB CHAPTERS, PART II:
*Empowering Environmental
Problem-solving***

**2008 SCB International Conference
Chattanooga, Tennessee
July 13, 12:30-4:30**



2008 WORKSHOP AGENDA

12:30pm Welcome & Chapters Report

Fiona Nagle, SCB Chapters Advisory Committee

➤ 12:45p-1:20p *Policy Activities of SCB Chapters*

Chapters and Public Policy

John Fitzgerald, SCB Policy Director

From ESA to the Farm Bill: Chapter Engagement with Policy

Jim Manolis, Minnesota Chapter

Policy Priorities of SCB Chapters

Eli Bernstein, Colorado Plateau Chapter

1:20pm

Participant Introductions

15 minutes

➤ 1:35p-2:25p *Inter-Organizational Networking*

Coastal Sage Scrub & Grassland Restoration: A Collaboration

Jessica Pratt, Orange County Chapter

Conservation: A Neglected Issue in Northwestern Argentina

Pamela Fierro, Northwest Argentina Regional Chapter (w/ Rodrigo)

Learning from our Sisters 1: The Wildlife Society

Mary Dodson, Secretary/Treasurer, Tennessee Chapter

Learning from our Sisters 2: The American Fisheries Society

Frank Fiss, President, Tennessee Chapter

2:25pm 15 minute break

WORKSHOP AGENDA (cont)

➤ **2:40p-3:15p** *Reaching Out to the Community*

Mascot to the Rescue:

Warming Up Little Hearts for Big Conservation

Evi Paemelaere, Auburn University Chapter

**Introducing High School Students in New Orleans
to Conservation Biology**

Rachel Wallace, New Orleans Chapter

**Getting the Adult Community Involved
in Conserving Local Wildlife**

Aletris Neils, Florida Chapter

➤ **3:15p-4:00p** *Organizational Capacity*

Intro to the New SCB Chapters Website (& other fun stuff)

Kelly Pennington, Chapters Webmaster & Minnesota Chapter

Update on Chapter Bylaws

Alan Thornhill, SCB Executive Director

Coming up to Speed on SCB

Rodrigo Medellin, Austral-Neotropical Section

Fiona Nagle, Chapters Advisory Committee

Tom Sisk, Chapters-BOG Liaison

Li Wang, China Chapter

4:00pm Open Discussion & Wrap-up

4:30pm End

Follow-up
Chapters Roundtable

(transitions, open forum, looking ahead)

Thursday Lunch
(12:15p-1:15p)

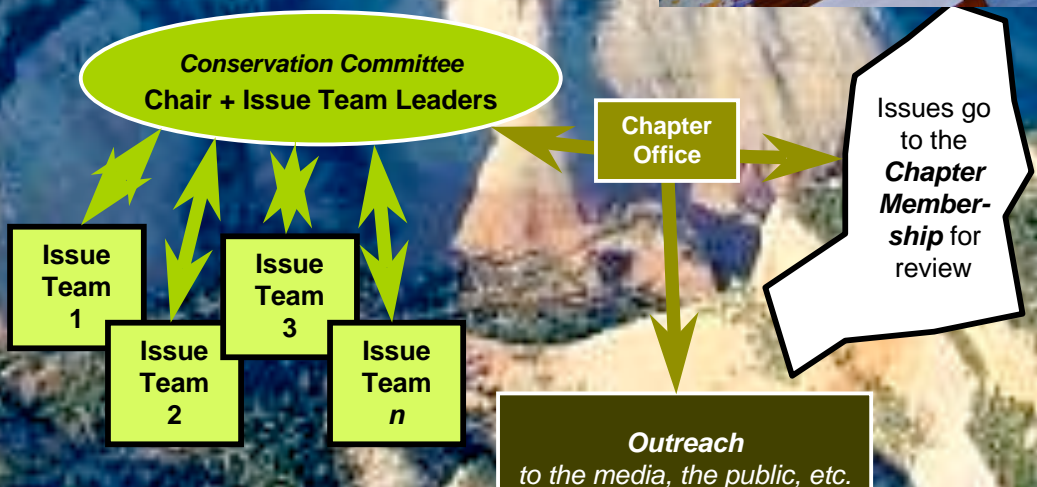
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THE 1st WORKSHOP

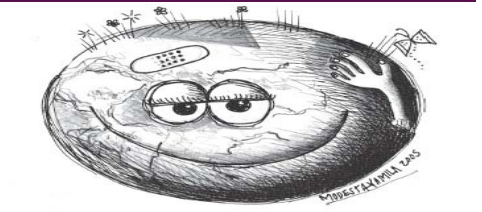
***“Capacity-Building for SCB Chapters
in the 21st Century”***

***2006 SCB Conference, San Jose, CA
Saturday, 24 June, 12:30-4:30pm***

SCB 1985: A "Crisis Discipline" Was Born



- Local Chapters → local action
- Coordination of local actions amplifies SCB message and mission



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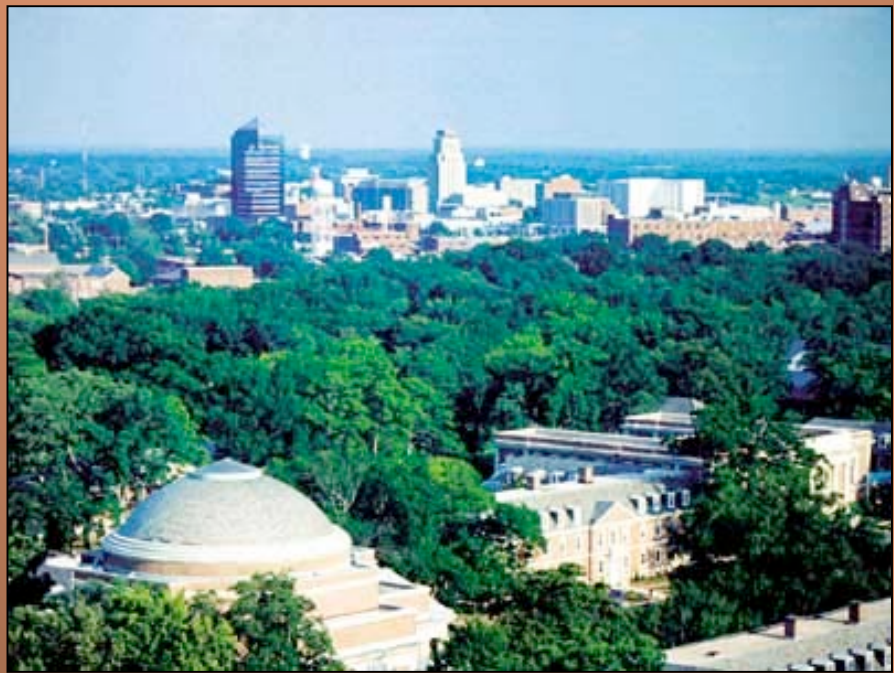
Promote the conservation of biodiversity through the application of the theory and practice of Conservation Biology in Northwest Argentina

To conclude, our goal is to have a strong economy and a healthy environment. Good science must always prevail for society to make good decisions about its future. Hence, speak out but intelligently.

***WHAT
ARE
CHAPTERS?***



A university...



Multiple institutions...



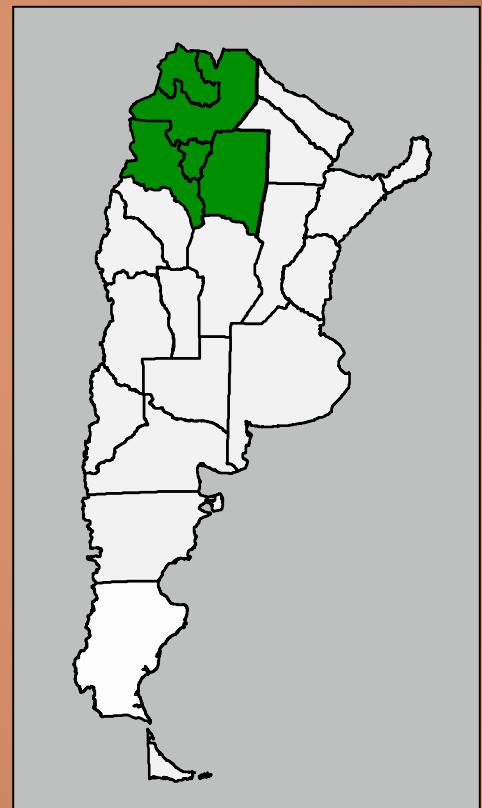
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Several cities...



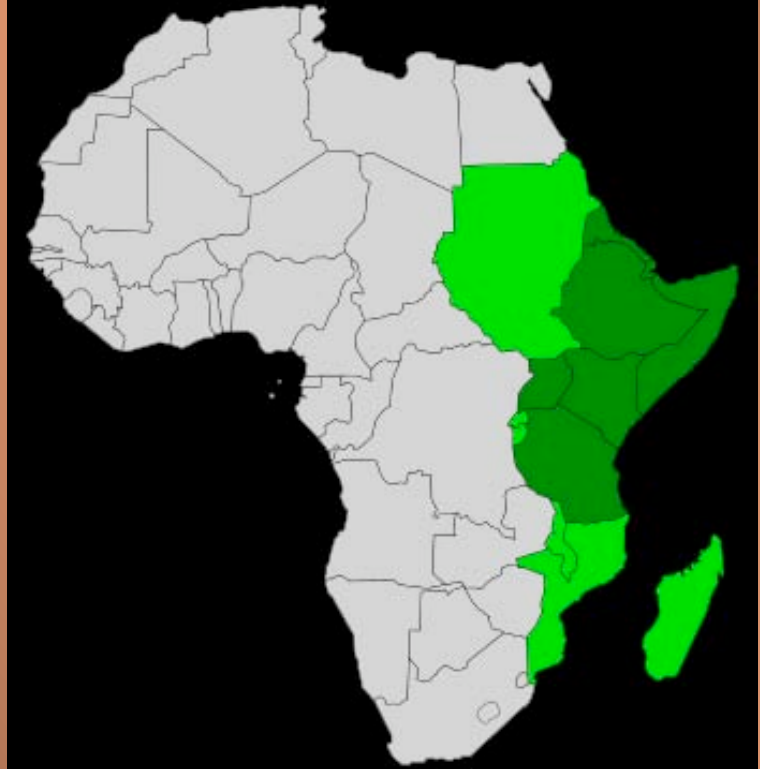
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A region...

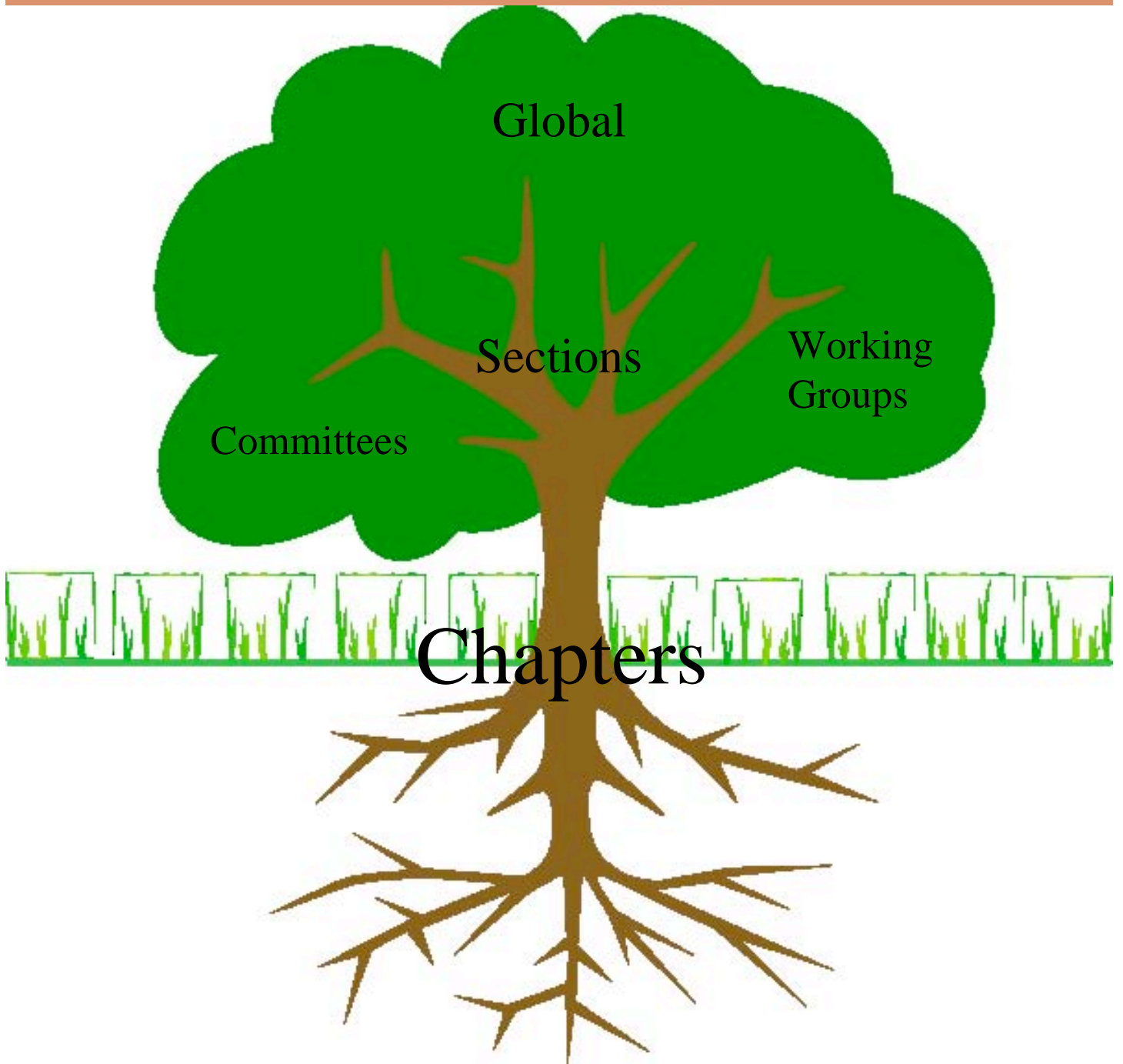


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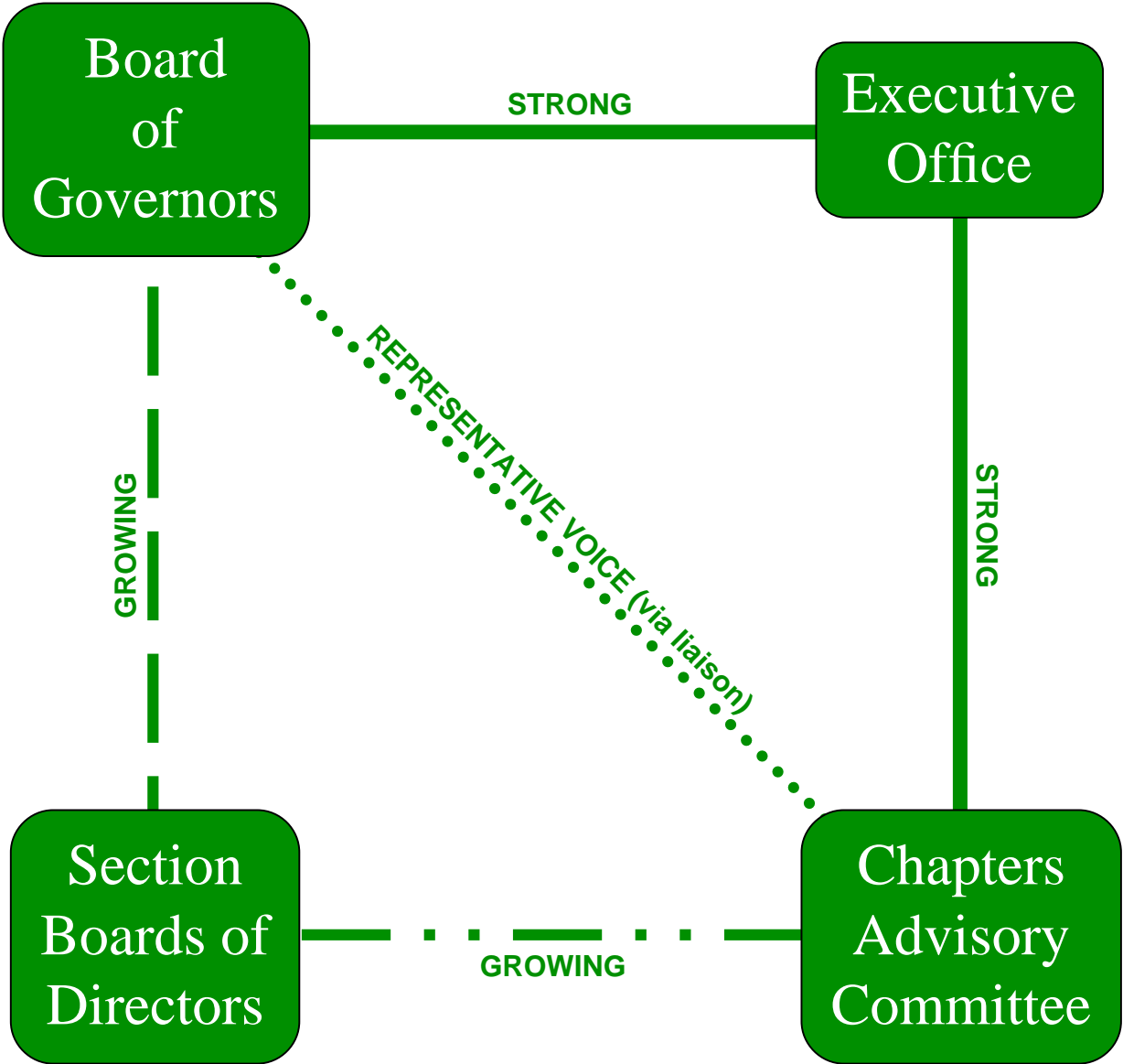


Several countries.

The SCB Tree



Organizational Relationships



CHAPTERS

REPORT

2006-2008

Status

49 Chapters chartered since 1991!

**29 Active: 7 new, 3 inactive, 3 dormant
(7% growth)**

- **25 in North America**
- **2 in South America (1998 & 2006)**
- **1 in Africa (2005)**
- **1 in Asia (2007)**

5 sister chapters

New Chapters (7)

- **Auburn Univ
(AL)**
- **Central CA Coast**
- **China**
- **Georgia**
- **Orange County
(CA)**
- **Texas Tech Univ**
- **Triangle (NC)**

In Formation (9)

- **Bhutan**
- **Colombia**
- **Long Beach (CA)**
- **New York City**
- **Ohio State Univ**
- **Oregon**
- **Peru**
- **South Carolina**
- **Sul Ross (TX)**

*“Never doubt that
a small group of
thoughtful, committed citizens
can change the world.
Indeed, it’s the only thing
that ever has.”*

—Margaret Mead