



SOUTHEASTERN ESTUARINE RESEARCH SOCIETY

ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

FALL MEETING OF THE SOUTHEASTERN ESTUARINE RESEARCH SOCIETY

October 27-29, 1988 The Jacksonville Hotel on the Riverwalk
 Jacksonville, Florida

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SEERS will hold its fall meeting at Jacksonville, Florida from Thursday evening October 27 through Saturday October 29. All poster and oral presentations will be made at The Jacksonville Hotel. Single rooms are \$45 per night, double \$48, triple \$54, and quad \$60. Suites are also available at \$85-190 per night. For reservations call 1-800-327-0131 if in Florida or 1-800-332-9001 for other areas in the U.S. A block of rooms will be held for us until October 13, 1988. When making reservations, please mention that you are with SEERS.

Individuals interested in presenting a paper or poster should complete the enclosed form and return it to Linda Clements by Monday August 29. Oral Presentations will be 15 minutes with 5 minutes available afterwards for questions. Approximately 30 papers will be scheduled. There is no limit to the number of posters, so those not scheduled for an oral presentation can be scheduled for poster format. At the Friday evening banquet the Patrick Adams Award will be presented for the best student paper (cash award) and the best poster will be recognized. This year we are requiring that short abstracts be submitted for all oral presentations. Abstracts should be typed into the indicated format, for instructions see the attached information sheet. Copies of the abstracts will be available at registration. Also, it is suggested that individuals giving oral presentations consider: 1) minimizing the amount of information to be shown on any one slide so that the data and/or words will be as large as possible when projected and 2) sacrificing some of the details on the study area description and methods so that you have more time to present and discuss data.

Registration for the meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 27 and the poster session and social will be on Thursday night. The registration fee will be \$20-25 (amount will be specified when the next mailing goes out). All attendees will be required to pay the registration fee which covers social, coffee breaks and banquet.

A Note from the President

We are looking forward to an exciting meeting in Jacksonville, Florida this October. I am hoping that we can have a diversified program of oral presentations and posters at this meeting. I would encourage all of you environmental physiologists, biochemists, etc. to submit abstracts for the fall meeting. In an attempt to broaden our outlook on estuarine and coastal research, I am trying to put together a short session dealing with biotechnology as it relates to marine research. Hopefully, the discussion will be stimulating to both established scientists and graduate students.

At the ERF Board Meeting in June the next national meeting, "Estuaries", and general society business were points of discussion. Plans for the Baltimore ERF meeting, October 8-12, 1989, were discussed and the facilities at the Lord Baltimore Hotel and associated activities were described by Arrangements Chairman Ken Tenore. All members of ERF are encouraged to publish appropriate

research articles in "Estuaries". If "Estuaries" is to be a prestigious journal, it requires well written papers describing good science. Also, at the ERF Board meeting, Dr. John Wakeman, President of GERS, and I discussed the possibility of having a joint SEERS/GERS meeting in the spring of 1990 at Panama City, Florida. - Dave Engel.

Attention Students

During the fall SEERS meeting in Jacksonville, Florida, I would like to hold a brief meeting of all student members. The topic of discussion will center around ways to encourage greater student involvement and methods to improve the quality of presentations in our friendly forum. You will be informed of the time and location of the meeting when you register. As your representative, I am anxious to hear and communicate your ideas, comments, and constructive criticisms. So, feel free to voice your opinions and remember to encourage fellow students to join us. See you in Jacksonville! - Lynn Barker

REPORT OF THE SPRING 1988 MEETING

The Spring 1988 SEERS meeting was held 17-19 March 1988 at the Holiday Inn, Folly Beach, SC. The 94 registrants who were in attendance (well most of the time) had the opportunity to hear 25 oral presentations and to view 7 posters that covered a variety of topics. A special thanks to Vic Burrell and the many people who assisted him in making the local arrangements.

The business meeting was held at the banquet on 18 March. The Secretary/Treasurer, Ron Kneib, reported that the Society would remain financially sound for the rest of the year, but stressed the importance of keeping dues current. At the time of the meeting, only 21% of the 374 members on the rolls were considered in good standing.

CONGRATULATIONS to the winners of the Best Poster and Best Student Paper Awards. Best Poster went to Walt Nelson, P. Navratil, D. Savercool and F. Vose of the Florida Institute of Technology for their poster entitled "Short-term biological effects of stabilized oil ash reefs". The Patrick Adams Award for best student paper went to Amy L. Nelson of the University of South Carolina for her presentation entitled "Selection of prey by juvenile fish, random or choice?"

This meeting saw several changes in SEERS officers and board members. Vic Burrell stepped down as president and passed the gavel to our new president David Engel. Other members of the SEERS Board whose terms were at an end included: Past President Don Hoss, Member-at-Large Jim Alberts, Program Chair Kris Thoenke and Student Representative Brenda Young. Our thanks for their contributions in the service of SEERS.

Elections were held to fill the vacated posts of President-Elect and Program Chair. Dennis Allen was elected President-Elect amid rumors of unfair campaign practices on the part of his supporters who staged a massive campaign effort inside the polling place. Tempers flared amid allegations of wrong doing and connections to known criminals and underworld figures in a typical mud-slinging SEERS election. The election of Linda Clements as the new Program Chair met with far less controversy. Our best wishes to the newly-elected officers. President Engel made two appointments to the Board: Lynn Barker as Student Representative and Quinton White as member at large. - Ron Kneib

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SEERS annual membership dues are \$6.00 and are payable at the beginning of each calendar year. In an effort to maintain an accurate list of active members and to minimize mailing costs, individuals who do not pay dues for 2 years will be dropped from the membership list (honorary members excepted). The number that appears next to your name on the mailing label for this announcement indicates the last year for which you paid dues (e.g. 88=1988). If you have not paid dues since 1987 but wish to remain a SEERS member in good standing, you must respond to this notice.

SEERS MEMBERSHIP FORM

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MAIL THIS FORM WITH YOUR 1989 MEMBERSHIP DUES (\$6.00) TO: R. T. KNEIB, SECRETARY-TREASURER, UGA MARINE INSTITUTE, SAPELO ISLAND, GA 31327. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO SEERS.

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