

WAPMS NEWS-
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Newsletter of the
Western Aquatic Plant Management Society

Its not too late to attend the 2000 WAPMS Conference!

I am sure you are all aware that our annual Western Aquatic Plant Management Society Conference is fast approaching. It is March 29-30, 2000, at the Grantree Hotel in Bozeman Montana. If you would like to make last minute plans to attend, call the Grantree for a reservation at 406-587-5261. You can register for the conference at the door on the morning of the 29th.

A nearly complete copy of the agenda is being sent along with this newsletter. Check it out, sounds like many interesting talks will be presented. Also, for people needing pesticide applicators license recertification credits, we are in the process of arranging for credits from the following states: Montana, Washington, California, Oregon, Idaho and Arizona. So, come to the conference, meet other people interested in aquatic plant management, hear many interesting presentations, and get credits at the same time!

WAPMS Website

Don't forget to check out our website! It has useful information on aquatic weeds and their management, as well as lots of information about our Society and useful links to related sites. <http://www.wapms.org>.

Aquatic Plant Management Society Meeting

Make Your Reservations NOW for the 40th Annual Aquatic Plant Management Society Meeting and International Symposium on Aquatic Weeds

July 16th to 20th- San Diego, CA

Handlery Hotel & Resort
950 Hotel Circle North

Check the APMS Website for all the forms and additional information: <http://www.apms.org/>

NOTE: Deadline for Titles/Abstracts: April 15, 2000 (See APMS Website)

Phone for reservation:
619-298-0511
1-800-843-4343
<http://www.handlery.com>

Rates for APMS are \$90/night- But reserve yours early!!

This site is located in Mission Valley, with easy access to the Trolley line and just minutes from beaches, Mission Bay, SeaWorld and Old Town.

Featured topics at the meeting will include:

- Biological Control
- Wetland and Riparian Restoration
- Integrated Management
- Legislative and Regulatory Updates
- Mini-workshop on GPS/GIS for Aquatic Sites
- Update on CalFed programs on aquatic invasive species and the Sacramento/San Joaquin Delta.
- Student Contest Papers
- Poster Session and Commercial Exhibitors

AND MUCH MORE!!

Partial list of Countries with Presenters:

- Brazil
- Australia
- Ireland
- New Zealand
- S.African regions

Special Featured Events Include:

- San Diego Harbor Dinner Cruise and Dancing to "Mumbo Gumbo"
- Spouses Tour
- Post-meeting Field Trip-July 20 to July 25th: Four-night, Five Day special tour to various projects focused on management of exotic and invasive aquatic and riparian vegetation (Contact Lars Anderson regarding field trip details by April 30th at:

lwanderson@ucdavis.edu) - Lars Anderson

ATTENTION STUDENTS - APMS Student Paper Contest 2000

Since 1975, the Aquatic Plant Management Society has conducted a student paper contest in conjunction with its annual meeting. The objectives of the contest are 1) to encourage student participation in the Society affairs; 2) to provide students with the opportunity to gain experience in preparing and presenting scientific papers; and 3) to recognize outstanding achievements by student members of the Society.

All contest entrants receive free meeting registration, free accommodations (based on double occupancy), book prizes, and certificates. Cash awards are granted to first through fourth place winners.

Graduate and advanced undergraduate students who have had the opportunity to conduct independent research are encouraged to present their findings in the 2000 contest. Papers presented in the contest should be the results of the student's original research and should contain information not previously presented at an APMS meeting.

Sign up now! Student entrants must submit a title and abstract using the "Call for Papers" form found in the November or March issue of the APMS Newsletter. The meeting registration form should also be submitted. Only oral presentations will be accepted for the contest. The

submission deadline for title and abstract is **April 15, 2000**. If you need forms or have questions concerning the contest, contact:

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Update on WAPMS Scholarship

We received 4 very good applications from students at UW, PSU, and OSU. The applications are currently in review and the winner will be announced at the Bozeman meeting.

- Mark Sytsma

South Carolina Looking for Scholarship Applicants

The South Carolina Aquatic Plant Management Society, Inc. is seeking applications for its annual scholarship grant. The Society intends to award a **\$2,000** grant to the successful applicant in the **Fall of 2000**. Grant funds may be used by the recipient to cover costs associated with education and research expenses.

Eligible applicants must be enrolled as full time undergraduate or graduate students in an accredited college or university in the United States. Course work or research in an area related to the biology, ecology or management of aquatic plants in the Southeast is also required.

Applications must be received no later than May 1, 2000 and will be evaluated on the basis of relevant test scores, high school and/or college grades, quality and relevance of course work or research, a proposed budget, information obtained from references, and other related considerations. Other factors being equal, preference will be given to applicants enrolled in Southeastern and South Carolina academic institutions.

The successful applicant may be requested to present an oral report on research activities at the annual meeting of the South Carolina APMS.

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Applications are available on the Internet

<http://water.dnr.state.sc.us/water/envaff/aquatic/scapms.html>

Aquatic Weed Control Short Course 2000:

Aquatic weed Control; Upland and Invasive Weed Control; Aquatic Plant Culture and Revegetation

This class is being offered through the University of Florida, and is scheduled for May 15-19, 2000 in Fort Lauderdale, FL at the Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center and the Fort Lauderdale Marriott North on Andrews Avenue.

You can earn up to 24 Continuing Education Units for Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina licenses.

Visit the conference website at <http://www.ifas.ufl.edu/~conferweb/>. Click on Upcoming Conferences, and select the Aquatic Weed Control Short Course. The early REDUCED registration fee is \$165 if registration and payment is received by March 31, 2000. After that date, the REGULAR registration fee of \$195 will apply. The registration fee includes the educational program, course materials, bussing to the FLREC for the Wednesday program, a portfolio, an IFAS hat, morning, mid-day and afternoon refreshments, a poolside social on Monday (5/15),

and a reception on Tuesday (5/16) at the Fort Lauderdale Marriott North. The registration fee also includes a barbecue lunch and a cookout at the Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center (FLREC) on Wednesday (5/17). The registration form or instructions for FAXing in registration fees is available at the website. Or, they can be reached by phone at (352) 392-5930, by fax at (352) 392-9734 or by calling (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

Upcoming Meetings of Interest

American Society of Limnology and Oceanography (ASLO) 2000

Special Symposium on AQUATIC SPECIES INVASIONS (SS 21) at the ASLO 2000 Conference
Copenhagen, Denmark, June 5-9, 2000

Recognition is growing that species invasions threaten the biodiversity of ecosystems on a global scale. This Special Symposium will cover a broad array of relevant, inter-related topics concerning aquatic species invasions that should be of interest to the marine, estuarine, and freshwater scientific communities.

A related pre-conference Workshop (WS-4) titled "Invasion of European & North American Ecosystems by Ponto-Caspian Species" will be convened Friday and Saturday, June 2-3, 2000, just prior to the start of the main ASLO 2000 Conference. Presentations are by invitation only, but individuals interested in participating in the workshop are welcome and should contact Hugh MacIsaac or David Reid.

Please check the ASLO 2000 Web Site for more information and detailed instructions:

<http://www.aslo.org/copenhagen2000> or contact any of the following Session Co-chairs for more information:

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Aquatic Plant Management Society Conference

40th Annual and International Meeting **July 16-20, 2000** Handlery Hotel and Resort **San Diego, California**. See the special section in this newsletter for more details.

Biological Invasions! The Quiet Global Change.

April 12, 2000. Corvallis, Oregon.

Spend a day discussing the most recent thinking on the economic, social, ecological, evolutionary and human health consequences of non-native species, as well as the problems involved in control". Presented by Oregon State University Sea Grant Program.

For more information, contact Christie Sheridan, Extension Sea Grant, Hatfield Marine Science Center, 2030 SE Marine Science Dr., Newport, OR 97362-5296. WWW:

<http://seagrant.orst.edu/colloquium>

Washington Lakes Protection Association 13th Annual Conference April 13-15, 2000, SeaTac Washington

Also there will be a special Hydrolab maintenance and calibration workshop on the morning of April 12. The afternoon of the 12 and morning of the 13th there will be a workshop on watershed pollutants and non-point source nutrients hosted by University of Washington Professors Gene Welch and Rich Horner, and Professor Dennis Cooke of Kent State University.

Sessions on the 13th –15th will cover all aspects of lake ecology and management, including control of milfoil and other macrophytes.

The conference will be held at the Doubletree Inn at SeaTac, very close to the airport. To make hotel reservations call the Doubletree at 1-800-539-9535. Rates for conference participants are \$87 / night for single or double.

Before March 24 the conference registration is \$110 for the 13th – 15th. Registration includes two lunches, five coffee break refreshments, and a one year WALPA membership. The non-point workshop on the 12th-13th is extra.

For registration information contact: Dr. Mike Brett at (206) 616-3447 or mtbrett@u.washington.edu