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Louisiana Oyster Industry Convention
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March 20, 2010
Hilton-New Orleans Airport
Kenner, Louisiana

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Saturday, March 20, 2010

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901 Airline Drive
Kenner, Louisiana

The convention is an annual forum to bring the Louisiana oyster industry and its trade associations together to discuss important issues, to make business contacts, and to socialize. The convention will again be held at the Hilton-New Orleans Airport as a most convenient location for industry members east and west of the Mississippi River.

This year's agenda will feature presentations on irradiation of oysters and high salinity exposure as post harvest treatments. Other topics include updates on the federal oyster crop insurance, new time/temperature harvest requirements for 2010, conditions of the state primary seed grounds and recruiting oysters for shoreline protection.

Sex, Death and Oysters: A Half-Shell Lovers World Tour, presented by author Robb Walsh, will be our luncheon topic. Mr. Walsh will reflect on his five-year adventure from oyster reefs to oyster bars and from corporate boardrooms to hotel bedrooms in a quest for the truth about the world's most profitable aphrodisiac. He will also be available for book signings.

Oysters will be served several different ways during the luncheon and cocktail party, making the convention the best oyster feast of the year!

The convention is being sponsored by J & M Industries & Berry Plastics, the Louisiana Sea Grant College Program, the Oyster Development Fund of the Louisiana Oyster Task Force, Louisiana Farm Bureau, the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board, the Louisiana Oyster Dealers & Growers Association and the LSU Agricultural Center.

For more information, contact John Supan at 985-264-3239 or by email at jsupan@lsu.edu.

MORNING SESSIONS

- 8:00-9:00 **Registration**
- 9:00-9:10 **Welcome**
John Tesvich
La. Oyster Dealers & Growers Association
- 9:10-9:30 **Federal Crop Insurance for Oyster Growers: An Update**
Robert Cerda
Crop Insurance Systems, Inc
- 9:30-9:45 **Time Temperature Matrix for Oyster Harvest throughout the Year**
Gordon Leblanc
La. Dept. Health & Hospitals
- 9:45-10:15 **Oyster Irradiation: An Introduction**
Lucina Lampila
LSU Food Science Department
- 10:15-11:15 **Technical Aspects of Commercial-Scale Oyster Irradiation**
Richard Hunter
Food Technology Service, Inc.
- 11:15-11:30 **BREAK**
- 11:30-Noon **Processing and Marketing Of Irradiated Oysters**
Kevin Voisin
Motivatit Seafoods, Inc.

LUNCHEON

- 12:00-1:30 **Guest Speaker: Robb Walsh**

Sex, Death & Oysters; A Half-Shell Lovers World Tour

AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:30-2:00 **Oyster Season Overview: Past and Present**
Patrick Banks
La. Dept. Wildlife & Fisheries
- 2:00-2:30 **Initial Assessment of Oyster Recruitment, Survival, and Reef-building Potential on Constructed Structures Used for Shoreline Erosion**
Mark Linson
Dept. of Biological Sciences
Nicholls State University
- 2:30-2:50 **Is Harvest from the State Primary Seed Grounds Sustainable? What Modeling Might Tell Us**
Tom Soniat
UNO Biological Sciences & Pontchartrain Institute for Environmental Sciences
- 2:50-3:30 **Panel Discussion**

High Salinity Treatment as a Post Harvest Process for Oysters
John Supan
La. Sea Grant College Program

Patrick Banks
La. Dept. Wildlife & Fisheries

Gordon Leblanc
La. Dept. Health & Hospitals

John Tesvich
AmeriPure Oyster Co., Inc
- 3:30-5:30 **Cocktail Party Hotel Foyer (Cash Bar)**