



Texas Aquaculture Association

40th Annual Conference & Trade Show

www.texasaquaculture.org

Bay City Civic Center

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January 27-29, 2010

Sponsors

Texas Aquaculture Association is a non-profit 501-C(5) association, and for 40 years has supported the growth and sustainability of the aquaculture industry. Through educational and networking activities, by dissemination of industry news, by supporting research and through participation in legislative and rulemaking efforts, Texas Aquaculture Association has worked hard to make certain that aquaculture has the opportunity to flourish in Texas.

These activities depend greatly on both membership dues and support generated by the Annual Conference & Trade Show and the Seafood Festival. Our past conferences have been highly successful due, in large part, to the generous sponsorships received. Both volunteer labor and cash contributions have helped make the Conference & Trade Show benchmark events. It is TAA's goal to make the upcoming 40th Annual Event the most outstanding yet.

TAA is asking you to consider participating in a significant way toward this effort. A list of events requiring sponsorships is enclosed with this letter. To become a sponsor, on the Sponsorship and Donation Sheet, circle the event or events of your choice, complete the bottom and return the list along with your check to:

Texas Aquaculture Association

P.O. Box 752

Kemah, TX 77565

Sponsors will be recognized on the TAA web site for one year; advertising in our newsletter, AquaNotes, for those sponsoring \$1,000 and up; on the Sponsor List provided to each person at the Conference; with announcements during the Conference; signage at the particular event; a banner in the registration area; and a Social on Thursday evening in your honor. Sign up now and see your name on the web site before the conference!

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Brian Brawner is putting together the technical sessions this year, which promise to be informative, interesting and thought provoking. More information on the technical session agenda will be available on the TAA web site at www.texasaquaculture.org as it becomes available.

Social events will include TAA Scholarship Golf Tournament, two Walkin-Talkin Lunches in the Trade Show area, Exhibitor & Sponsor Social and *TAA Aquaculture Banquet*. For more information on other activities available in the area visit, www.cityofbaycity.org or call the Bay City Chamber of Commerce at 800-806-8333. A detailed schedule of events and speakers can be found on our web site, www.texasaquaculture.org, closer to the Conference time.

Tentative Schedule of Events

Wednesday, January 27, 2010

1:00p	Early Registration
1:00p - 5:00p	TAA Scholarship Golf Tournament,
3:00p - 10:00p	Exhibitor set-up in Trade Show area at Civic Center
7:00p – 9:00p	President’s Reception (location to be announced)

Thursday, January 28, 2010

8:00a - 5:00p	Registration
8:00a - 9:00a	Breakfast served in Trade Show area
8:00a - 4:50p	Trade Show
9:00a - 9:15a	Opening of 40 th Annual Conference & Trade Show
9:15a- 9:45a	Annual Business Meeting, Awards and Scholarships
9:45a - 11:40a	First Session with Break in Trade Show area
11:40a - 12:50p	Walkin-Talkin Lunch in the Trade Show area
1:00p - 3:20p	Second Session with Break in Trade Show area
3:30p - 4:50p	Third Session
5:00p - 6:30p	Exhibitor/Sponsor Social, (Located in the Trade Show area)
7:00p - 9:00p	<i>TAA Aquaculture Banquet</i>

Friday, January 29, 2010

8:00a - 5:00p	Registration
8:00a - 9:00a	Breakfast served in Trade Show area
8:00a – 1:30p	Trade Show
9:00a - 11:40a	Fourth Session with a break in the Trade Show area
11:40a - 12:30p	Walkin-Talkin Lunch in the Trade Show area
12:30 p – 1:30 p	Fifth Session
1:30p – 3:00p	TAA Board Meeting
2:00p – 5:00p	Aquaculture Demonstrations and/or Facility Tours (Subject to availability)

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

TAA has a block of rooms at the **Best Western and a special rate of \$ 69.00/night**. If you prefer, the Laquinta Hotel has given us a rate of \$103.20/night at their location and \$53.99/night at the Studio 6 Extended Stay Hotel. They only have ten rooms available at this rate. Please make reservations on or before **December 15, 2009** and receive the special conference rates. Specify that you are attending the Texas Aquaculture Association Conference. Other hotels are listed below and on the Civic Center's website:

Best Western \$69.00
Angelica
407 7th St, Bay City,
979-244-5400 or 800-245-5404

Laquinta Hotel \$103.20
Karen Patel
5300 7th St, Bay City,
979-323-9095

Studio 6 Extended Stay \$53.99
Nilla
5511 7th Street, Bay City
979-244-2400

To add to the pleasure of our Conference & Trade Show, we are offering some outstanding social events. President's Reception on Wednesday evening; TAA Scholarship Golf Tournament on Wednesday afternoon; Exhibitor/Sponsor Social on Thursday evening; and the TAA Aquaculture Banquet on Thursday evening immediately following the Exhibitor/Sponsor Social. See the Registration Form to sign up for each of these events to make your week complete. Or, bird watching and fishing on your own.

Contact Information:

If you have any questions concerning the Conference, do not hesitate to call:

Cindy Schmid, Conference Coordinator, at 281-639-8271

Donna Hanson, TAA, at 979-695-2040

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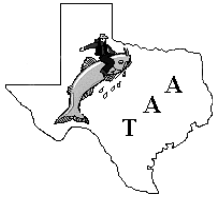
Tel. 979-695-2040

Fax: 281-520-3835

Check our web site (www.texasaquaculture.org) for other information, contacts or participants from last year's event and PowerPoint presentations from speakers. You won't want to miss this opportunity to network with producers, suppliers, researchers and regulators. Come partake in the fun and food for which Texas Aquaculture Association is famous.

See you there!

Brian Brawner
Conference Chairman



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Cash Sponsorships (circle item)

(Please note: partial sponsorships are accepted)

1... Printing and Mailing	\$ 500
2... Conference Administration	\$1,000
3... Conference Session	\$1,000
4... Conference Session	\$ 500
5... Conference Session	\$ 500
6... Conference Facility Rental	\$1,500
7... Scholarship Golf Tournament (goes entirely to scholarship fund)	\$1,000
8... Red Ewald Scholarship Fund	\$ 500
9... Red Ewald Scholarship Fund	\$ 500
10. Graduate Research Scholarship Fund	\$1,000
11. Golf Tournament Expenses	\$ 500
12. President's Reception	\$ 500
13. President's Reception	\$ 500
14. Exhibitor/Sponsor Social Hour (Thursday Evening)	\$ 250
15. Exhibitor/Sponsor Social Hour (Thursday Evening)	\$ 500
16. Breakfast-Thursday Morning	\$ 250
17. Break (Refreshments Thursday Morning)	\$ 250
18. Break (Refreshments Thursday Afternoon)	\$ 250
19. Walkin-Talkin Apron Advertising	\$2,000
20. Walkin-Talkin Apron Advertising	\$2,000
21. Walkin-Talkin Apron Advertising	\$2,000
22. Walkin-Talkin Lunch on Thursday	\$ 500
23. Walkin-Talkin Lunch on Thursday	\$1,000
24. Walkin-Talkin Lunch on Friday	\$ 250
25. Walkin-Talkin Lunch on Friday	\$1,000
26. Breakfast-Friday Morning	\$ 500
27. Break (Refreshments Friday Morning)	\$ 250
28. Texas Aquaculture Banquet	\$ 500
29. Texas Aquaculture Banquet	\$ 250
30. Texas Aquaculture Banquet	\$ 300
31. Texas Aquaculture Banquet	\$1,000
32. Texas Aquaculture Banquet	\$ 500
33. Raffle Item	\$1,000
34. Raffle Item	\$ 250
35. Raffle Item	\$ 500
36. Raffle Item	\$ 500

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REGISTRATION & MEMBERSHIP FORM 40th TAA ANNUAL CONFERENCE & TRADE SHOW

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(Please complete one form for each registrant – duplicate for additional registrants)

NAME/COMPANY: _____
(Name) (Company)

ADDRESS: _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____ E-MAIL: _____

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership Levels

Student - \$25	\$ _____
Government - \$50	\$ _____
Regular - \$150	\$ _____
Sustaining - \$500 up.....	\$ _____

Section Dues (\$10 each – include all that apply)

Ornamental Tropical	\$ _____
Educational	\$ _____
Shrimp	\$ _____
Crawfish	\$ _____
Catfish	\$ _____

Availability List Advertisement (\$250 plus Membership Dues)..... \$ _____

CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIPS:

Event Sponsorship (See attached Sponsorship & Donation Sheet)

Event _____ Amount \$ _____

TOTAL SPONSOR FEES & MEMBERSHIP DUES:..... \$ _____

Payment Method: Check# _____ Cashier's Check _____

MC/Visa # _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name & Address on credit card (if different from registration name/address):

Signature: _____

Please mail completed form and payment on or before **December 15, 2009** to:

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