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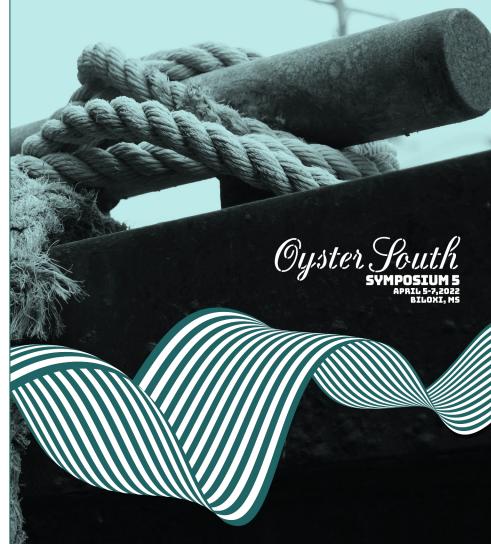
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DAY ONE TUESDAY, APRIL 5 Oyster South

TOURS FREE WITH TICKET

FRENCH HERMIT OVSTER COMPANY FARM TOURS @ 9, 10 AND 11 AM

THAD COCHRAN MARINE AQUACULTURE CENTER HATCHERY TOURS @ 9 AND 9:30 AM

THAD COCHRAN MARINE AQUACULTURE POST-SET OPERATIONS TOUR @ 11:30

#### WORKSHOP

CONNECTING THE DOTS: FINDING MARKETS FOR SOUTHERN FARM-RAISED OYSTERS , 1-2:30, AT THE OHR O'KEEFE MUSEUM OF ART

### RECEPTION

DIRECTOR'S WELCOME RECEPTION 5-8 PM AT THE WALTER ANDERSON MUSEUM OF ART

510 WASHINGTON AVENUE, OCEAN SPRINGS, MS

# DAY TWO WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

8:00 AM: TRADE SHOW OPENS

8:30-8:45 AM: WELCOME - BETH WALTON (OYSTER SOUTH)

8:45-9:00 AM: DETERMINING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PHYSICAL PROCESSES AND OYSTER AQUACULTURE PRODUCTION - BRENDAN CAMPBELL (UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE)

9:00-9:15 AM: EFFECT OF WAVE ACTION, BIOFOULING CONTROL, AND DENSITY ON THE PERFORMANCE OF EASTERN OYSTERS CRASSOSTREA UIRGINICA -JOHN LEWIS (VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE - EASTERN SHORE LAB)

## DAY TWO WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

9:15-10:00 AM - WHAT CAN CULTURAL ECOSYSTEM SERVICES DO FOR YOU? A VISUAL DISCUSSION - MODERATED BY ADRIANE MICHAELIS

10:00-10:20 AM - BREAK

10:20-10:30 AM - TELLING & SPREADING THE OVSTER SOUTH STORY - JENNIFER S. KORNEGAY (FREELANCE WRITER & EDITOR)

10:30-10:45 AM - TINY HOME HATCHERY ON WHEELS: A SMALL HATCHERY WITH A BIG IMPACT - MIKE CONGROVE (OYSTER SEED HOLDINGS, INC)

10:45-11:00 AM - OVERVIEW OF A LOUISIANA OVSTER AQUACULTURE GRANT PROGRAM - BRIAN CALLAM (LOUISIANA SEA GRANT & LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY)

11:00-11:15 AM - DIRECT MARKETING OF MARICULTURE PRODUCTS IN SOUTH CAROLINA: PRODUCER AND CONSUMER PERSPECTIVES - SARAH PEDIGO (SOUTH CAROLINA SEA GRANT CONSORTIUM)

11:15 AM - NOON PANEL: INNOVATIONS IN PACKAGING - MODERATED BY BILL WALTON (VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE)

12:00 - LUNCH (PROVIDED)

1:00-1:45 PM - PANEL: STATE UPDATES MODERAT-ED BY THOMAS BLISS (UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA MARINE EXTENSION AND GEORGIA SEA GRANT)

1:45-2:30 PM PANEL: SHELLFISH TRAILS -MODERATED BY LESLIE STURMER (UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA/IFAS)

2:30-3:00 PM - UPDATES FROM EAST COAST SHELL-FISH GROWERS ASSOCIATION - BOB RHEAULT (EAST COAST SHELLFISH GROWERS ASSOCIATION)

3:00-5:00 PM - HAPPY HOUR & TRADE SHOW, INCLUDED WITH REGISTRATION

6:30-9:00 PM - SHUCK AND TELL PARTY AT MARITIME & SEAFOOD INDUSTRY MUSEUM

115 EAST 1ST STREET, BILOXI, MS. INCLUDED WITH REGISTRATION

### DAY THREE THURSDAY, APRIL 7

OHR O'KEEFE MUSEUM OF ART 386 BEACH BOULEVARD, BILOXI, MS

8:30 AM - TRADE SHOW OPENS

9:00-9:15 AM - HERITABILITY OF HEAT STRESS TOLERANCE IN GULF OF MEXICO EASTERN 0YSTER, CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA - PAUL MCDONALD (THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI)

9:15-9:30 AM - USE OF LABORATORY ASSAYS TO EVALUATE DIFFERENCES IN TEMPERATURE TOLERANCE BETWEEN OYSTER GENETIC LINES AND PLOIDIES - KAYLA BOYD (AUBURN UNIVERSITY)

9:30-9:45 AM - TESTING MATERNAL CONTRIBU-TIONS IN TRIPLOID EASTERN OVSTERS (CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA): A FIELD EVALUATION IN COASTAL ALABAMA - MARY COLLIER EASTBURN (L3 HATCHERY)

9:45-10:00 AM - ADDRESSING OVSTER MORTALITY IN FLORIDA'S OFF-BOTTOM AQUACULTURE INDUS-TRY - LESLIE STURMER (UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA AND FLORIDA SEA GRANT)

10:00-10:15 AM - GROWTH AND SURVIVAL OF DIPLOID AND TRIPLOID DYSTER CRASSOSTREA UIRGINICA GROWN IN FLOATING GEAR IN GEORGIA - THOMAS BLISS (UNIVERSITY OF GEOR-GIA MARINE EXTENSION AND GEORGIA SEA GRANT)

10:15-10:45 AM - BREAK

10:45-11:30 AM - OYSTER FARM WORK BOATS: A DISCUSSION - MODERATED BY BILL WALTON (VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE)

11:30-11:45 AM - FAMILY GROWING OYSTERS AND FARMERS - EARNEST MCINTOSH, SR., EARNEST MCINTOSH, JR., & LASONIA DAVIS (E.L. MCINTOSH & SON SEAFOOD)

11:45 AM-NOON - HOW IS CLIMATE CHANGE AFFECTING OYSTER AQUACULTURE? - HANNAH PACHMAN (SHELLFISH GROWERS CLIMATE COALITION)

1200-1:30 - LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)

1:30-2:15 PM - THREE MINUTE TECH TALKS -MODERATED BY UICKI PRUENTE (PALACIOS MARINE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH)

2:15-2:45 PM - NAA HAS YOUR BACK: ADVOCACY AMONGST THE ACRONYMS - PAUL ZAJICEK (NATIONAL AQUACULTURE ASSOCIATION)

2:45-3:00 PM - OYSTER SOUTH: YEAR IN REVIEW AND CLOSING COMMENTS - BETH WALTON (OYSTER SOUTH)

3:00-5:00 PM - FAREWELL HAPPY HOUR AND TRADE SHOW CLOSES