



Annual Conference
October 23-25, 2009
St. Simons Island, Georgia

Thanks to the hard work and efforts of GAME members at the 2008 NMEA conference in Savannah, the GAME meeting this fall is being offered at a reduced rate. Registration also includes 2010 membership dues. Come share the benefits of hosting the national event!

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The Tides of Change

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LOCATION

St. Simons Island is the largest of the Golden Isles of Georgia and is located just off I-95 (exits 29, 36 & 38), midway between Savannah, GA and Jacksonville, FL. In 1736, General James Oglethorpe established Georgia's first military outpost at Ft. Frederica on St. Simons Island. Later, island oaks were milled for use in navy warships including Old Ironsides. Dozens of antebellum plantations were established on the island during the 19th century. Today the island boasts miles of beaches along with countless shops and restaurants. The Village, at the island's southern tip, includes a 200-year old working lighthouse, coastal history museum, and fishing pier. The 2009 Georgia Association of Marine Education Conference will connect social and natural history on the coast. It will all take place in the Coastal Conference Center at the Best Western Island Inn.

LODGING

The Best Western Island Inn has 61 guest rooms, a private crystal-clear pool, spacious sun deck, and a bubbling hot tub beneath its signature southern-styled gazebo. GAME has reserved 15 rooms at the group rate so make your arrangements soon!

Rooms are \$80/night for double or king and \$110/night for a suite. A continental breakfast is served daily in the Garden Room. All other meals will be catered in the Conference Center. For photos and more information go to www.bestwesternstsimons.com *To receive the group rate, you must call Island Inn directly* 912.638.7805 or 800.673.6323 (Reference GAME or Georgia Association of Marine Education)

Best Western Island Inn, 301 Main Street, Plantation Village, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

MEALS Conference Registration includes:

Friday evening - lowcountry boil catered by Brooks Good in the Coastal Conference Center; Saturday - continental breakfast for all conference participants in the Garden Room, lunches by Sweet Mamas, cocktails poolside followed by and BBQ dinner by Southern Soul; Sunday - continental breakfast in the Garden Room.

BEFORE & AFTER THE GAME MEETING

Discover St. Simons Island's rich history, natural beauty and Southern charm. Bike-ride or walk around the endless paths that offer discoveries around every bend. Kayak the coastal waters or take a marsh tour on a pontoon boat. Wander the paths of Ft. Frederica or shop in the village. Explore nearby Brunswick or visit the Georgia Sea Turtle Center on Jekyll Island. Visit these websites for more information on Golden Isles attractions.

Brunswick-Golden Isles Visitors Bureau www.bgivb.com

Golden Isles Navigator www.gacoast.com/navigator/ssi.html

Visit Coastal Georgia www.visitcoastalgeorgia.com

Fort Frederica National Monument www.nps.gov/fofr

Coastal Georgia Historical Society & St. Simons Lighthouse www.saintsimonslighthouse.org

Georgia Sea Turtle Center on Jekyll Island www.georgiaseaturtlecenter.org

GAME Annual Conference ~ Working Agenda

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FRIDAY

All day: Tours on your Own
4:00 – 6:00 Registration
6:00 – 7:00 Dinner - Low Country Boil by Brooks Good
7:00-8:00 Keynote Speaker: Peter Verity, Skidaway Institute of Oceanography
8:30-10:00 Movie & Mild Duds – Featuring the award winning film “Sea Change”

SATURDAY

6:30 -9:00 Continental Breakfast
8:00 -9:00 Registration
9:00-10:00 The Chemistry of Water - Jay Brandes, Skidaway Institute of Oceanography
10:00-10:30 Related Classroom Activity
10:30-11:30 Keepin’ Tabs on Local Resources: Fish Surveys & Tagging– Sarah Fangman, NOAA
11:30-12:00 Related Classroom Activity
12:00-2:00 Lunch
Business meeting
Awards
NMEA Ocean Literacy – Mare Timmons & Angela Bliss
Ecosystem Assessment – Dorset Hurley, Sapelo Island NERR
2:00-3:00 Related Classroom Activity
3:00-3:30 Ocean Products - Tom Manning, Valdosta State University
3:30-4:30 Cocktails Poolside
5:00-5:30 Dinner – Southern Soul BBQ
7:00 Auction!

SUNDAY

6:30-9:00 Continental Breakfast
8:00-10:00 Get Your Feet Wet! Morning Marsh Walk
10:00 Tours on your own



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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 9th

Please complete one form for each participant. TYPE or PRINT clearly.

Name _____ Circle one: Male – Female
Job Title _____
School/Organization _____
Mailing Address _____
Daytime Phone _____ Fax _____
Email _____
Are you a GAME Member? _____

REGISTRATION FEES

Full conference registration fee of \$50 includes: lowcountry boil and keynote speaker on Friday, Saturday speaker sessions, 3 meals on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday, and a GAME coffee mug and goodies. *This year's conference registration also includes your annual membership fee!*

HOUSING

The conference will be held at the *Best Western Island Inn*. \$80 for double or king / \$110 for a suite. ***To receive the group rate, you must call Island Inn directly*** 912.638.7805 or 800.673.6323 (Reference GAME or Georgia Association of Marine Education) www.bestwesternstsimons.com

FOOD OPTIONS

If you are not staying at the Best Western, will you be eating breakfast with us (included in conference fee)? _____

AUCTION

Please support the GAME organization by participating in our annual auction. Enthusiastic bidding is encouraged!

REGISTRATION & PAYMENTS

Conference Fee & 2010 Membership Dues	\$ 50
TOTAL	_____

*Please make checks payable to GAME
Send this completed registration form and payment to:*

GAME
Attn: Anne Lindsay Frick
30 Ocean Science Circle
Savannah, GA 31411
912-598-2355
www.gamarine-ed.org

Georgia Association of Marine Education
2009 Awards Nomination Form
Deadline: October 5

Name of Nominee: _____

Mailing Address of Nominee: _____

E.mail of Nominee: _____

Nominee's school system or Work Address _____

Supervisor / Principal Name _____

Nomination for (choose one)

Marine Educator of the Year

_____ Recognizes a GAME member who has practiced outstanding teaching of marine topics.

Millie Graham Award

_____ Given to a GAME member who has provided service above and beyond the call of duty to GAME or the marine environment.

Why should this person receive this award? Please list accomplishments and/or contributions made by the nominee: _____

Nominator's Name _____

Nominator's Mailing Address _____

Please mail this form by October 5 to:

GAME
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30 Ocean Science Circle
Savannah, GA 31411



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