

ASBPA Fall Conference Update

The program just got bigger and better! In addition to over a hundred great speakers, we have added an interview with Joe Moseley and Orville Magoon, moderated by Harry Simmons. Simmons' interview with Orville Magoon and Robert Wiegel in San Francisco in 2005 was a real crowd pleaser. These pioneers made the coastal field what it is today. We're sure Magoon and Moseley will be a real favorite. The updated program is listed under the Fall Conference section.

Since you can't attend all the presentations during the conference, we're planning a virtual conference, available only to registrants.

Oct. 1 is the big deadline for both hotel reservations and early conference registration rates. This year we have online registration for the first time. It is fast and easy. You can register online whether you are paying by check or credit card. You can even print an invoice! An added advantage is that for future conferences, all you have to do is update your profile! Should you have any questions or concerns about registering, call Kate or Ken at (239) 489-2616.

This year registrants have a choice of three hotels for the conference. Although you need to make your own reservations, information on hotels (including a site plan) are on the ASBPA Web site. Rates range from \$89 to \$159.

For the first time, there are opportunities for two different field trips on Sunday, Oct. 21. Be sure to take advantage of one (you can't go to both). Details on the field trips are on the ASBPA Web site and in this newsletter.

For those making airline reservations, consider using Hobby Airport. Although George Bush International is bigger, it is much less convenient to Galveston as it is located on the north side of Houston. If you have a choice, we recommend Hobby -- it is small, easy to navigate and a straight shot to Galveston.