

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS FOR THE LAPB FALL SYMPOSIUM. The 2011 Fall Symposium will be August 11 & 12, 2011 at the NOAA Estuarine Habitats and Coastal Fisheries center in Lafayette, LA. Please submit abstracts for oral presentations and posters on recent natural resources research relevant to Louisiana to Aaron Pierce (aaron.pierce@nicholls.edu). Abstracts should be 250 words or less, see the attached sample abstract for format. Oral presentations will be given by university students on Thursday, presentations will be 15 – 20 minutes in length, depending on the number of abstracts received. The poster session will be Friday morning, students and professional biologists are encouraged to participate in the poster session. A special Focus Session will follow the poster session on Friday. The focus of the special session will be Restoration Ecology in Louisiana. If you are interested in presenting at the special session, please contact Aaron Pierce. The **Deadline for Submission is July 22, 2011.** Please help by identifying students and professionals who could present their research at this symposium and by forwarding them the information. Remind them that there are cash awards for the best student oral presentation and best student poster presentation as well as free meeting registration for all student presenters. Presentations will be judged on scientific merit and quality of presentation. Please see the Symposium announcement for more details on the meeting, including the Thursday night social. Registration is at the door and costs \$25.00 for regular annual membership (\$10.00 for student annual membership), \$10.00 for the Symposium, plus an additional fee for the social and supper. Mark the dates of August 11 and 12 on your calendar and make plans to join us in Lafayette for two days of professional development. For more information please contact Aaron Pierce, LAPB President-Elect at (985)493-2628 or aaron.pierce@nicholls.edu .