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## 2009 – 2010 ASSCT Officers

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Please join us at the  
**ASSCT Joint Division Meeting**  
Bay Point Marriott Golf & Resort Spa  
Panama City Beach, FL 32408  
June 16 – 18, 2010  
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## Annual Meeting American Society of Sugar Cane Technologists Louisiana Division Established 1945



in conjunction with  
**American Sugar Cane League**



*Making Life Sweeter. Naturally*

**Hilton Lafayette**  
1521 W. Pinhook Road, Lafayette, LA

**February 1 - 3, 2010**

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**Monday, February 1, 2010**  
**Executive Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 2, 2010**  
**Morning Session**

**EXHIBITS – DEF Salon – please visit!**

**8:00 Registration** – Portico Foyer

**All coffee breaks are sponsored by:**  
**Louisiana Federal Land Bank**

**9:30 General Session** – ABC Salon  
**Call to Order** – Gus Legendre, President  
**ASSCT Business Meeting:**

- *Executive Committee Report*, Gus Legendre
- *Secretary-Treasurer Report*, Denver T. Loupe
- *Nominating Committee Report*, Mike Grisham
- *Election of 2010-2011 LA Division Officers*, Gus Legendre
- *LA Sugar Cane Foundation*, Kenneth Gravois
- *Any other business*

**10:00 Program** – ABC Salon

**U. S. & World Sweetener Market Outlook**  
Moderator: Jim Simon, General Manager, ASCL  
Panelists: Craig Ruffolo, McKeany-Flavell,  
Frank Jenkins, Jenkins Sugar Group

**11:30 Lunch** – Vermilion Ballroom, Lobby Level  
(ticket required)

**Brief Program**  
**Installation of ASSCT 2010-2011 Officers**

**Tuesday, February 2, 2010**  
**Afternoon Session**

**EXHIBITS –DEF Salon – please visit!**

*Continuing Professional Development forms are available at the technical session and the ASSCT registration desk.*

- 1:00** **American Sugar Cane League Business Meeting** – ABC Salon  
*Call to Order* Greg Nolan, President
- 1:30** **Opinion Research, Population and Demographic Trends**  
Elliott Stonecipher, Television and Radio News Analyst
- 2:40** **Coffee Break** – DEF Salon  
Prize Drawings (have your red ticket ready)
- 3:05** **Joint Agricultural & Manufacturing Session**  
ABC Salon - Jeff Hoy, Presiding
- 3:10** **Seasonal Effects on Trash Quantity and Quality for Three Common Louisiana Sugarcane Varieties**  
Gillian Eggleston
- 3:30** **Cultural Practice Effects on Cane Quality and Yield**  
Ryan Viator
- 3:50** **Milling Characteristics and Quality Focus of Current Sugarcane Varieties in Louisiana**  
Harold Birkett
- 4:10** **Taming the Wild Child – A Look Toward the Future Through Basic Breeding**  
Anna Hale
- 4:30** **Weed Control – What Have We Accomplished in the Last 30 Years?**  
Ed Richard
- 4:50** **Adjourn**
- 5:00-** **Attitude Adjustment** – DEF Salon  
**6:00** Prize Drawings – (have your red ticket ready)



**6:00 – till** **“After Harvest Bash”**  
Vermilionville Cultural Center  
Sponsored By:  
American Sugar Cane League  
And Others

**Wednesday, February 3, 2010**  
**Morning Session**

**EXHIBITS – DEF Salon – please visit!**

*Early Bird Drawing - (Have your red ticket ready!)*

- 8:00** **Registration** – Portico Foyer  
Coffee in DEF Salon
- 8:15** **Agriculture Session** – ABC Salon  
Jeff Hoy, Chairman
- 8:20** **Preparations for Managing the Mexican Rice Borer in Louisiana Sugarcane**  
Gene Reagan
- 8:40** **Improving Fertilizer Recommendations for Sugarcane: The Louisiana Soil Fertility and Nutrient Management Project**  
Brenda Tubana
- 9:00** **Factors Affecting the Economic Optimal Crop Cycle Length in Sugarcane**  
Mike Salassi
- 9:20** **Managing Early Sugar Recovery with Ripeners**  
Ben Legendre
- 9:40** **Coffee Break** – DEF Salon  
Prize Drawings – (have your red ticket ready)
- 10:05** **Manufacturing Session** – ABC Salon  
Mike Comb, Chairman
- 10:10** **Experience with a New Design of Juice Clarifier**  
V. Kochergin, C. Gaudet, M. Robert, S. Bergeron
- 10:30** **A Survey of Louisiana Final Molasses Produced During the 2009 – 2010 Grinding Season**  
L. Madsen II, L. S. Polanco, C. Verret, I. Dinu
- 10:45** **Exhaustibility of Louisiana Final Molasses and the Target Purity Formula: The 2009-2010 Season Results**  
M. Saska, S. L. Goudeau, F. Beyene
- 11:05** **Crystal Size Measurement: A Convenient Tool for Sugar Mill Tune-up**  
V. Kochergin, I. Tishechkina
- 11:25** **Estimated Costs of Raw Sugar Manufacturing Recovery Losses**  
M. Salassi, M. Deliberto, H. Birkett
- 11:45** **Adjourn**

**We appreciate the support and participation of all those in attendance.**  
**See you next year!**

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