

77th Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Section of the American Physics Society

Programs for Undergraduates

The Society of Physics Students (SPS) chapter at Louisiana State University is organizing several programs / activities for undergraduate students attending the 77th Annual SESAPS meeting scheduled for October 20 through October 23, 2010. There is **no registration fee for undergraduates** attending this SESAPS meeting and all students are welcome to **participate in the LIGO Livingston Observatory Tour on Thursday afternoon again free of charge**. The LSU SPS chapter will be providing a **hospitality suite, exclusively for the use of undergraduate students**, where students can kick back, have a cold soda, and talk with other students throughout the Southeast region. We are also planning to hold a **Lunch-Time Talk Series** on Thursday October 21 and Friday October 22 where the traditional SPS fare of pizza and soda will be served. Finally, there will be an **SPS Poster Session** that will take place Thursday afternoon following the LIGO Tour. All students who present at the SPS Poster Session are eligible for a \$200 award (the **Marsh White Award**) which will be given to the best undergraduate presenter.

Registration: To gain entrance to the SPS Hospitality Suite, partake in the Pizza Lunch-Time Talk Series and participate in other 77th SESAPS undergraduate programs you **must** be registered as an undergraduate student. Registration is **free** for such students and enables you to attend the entire conference. To attend the Friday evening banquet, however, students will need to pay the \$50 banquet fee. See the [**SESAPS 2010 Registration Page**](#) for further details.

SPS Hospitality Suite: Located on the same floor as the primary conference rooms, this suite will be available for registered undergraduate students to spend some time away from the regular conference sessions. Here you will be able to relax, have a cold soda, check up on your e-mail and meet new friends from across the SESAPS region.

SPS Lunch-Time Talks: Wondering what to do for lunch on Thursday and Friday? Enjoy the traditional SPS fare of pizza and soda during these lunch-time talks, organized exclusively for registered undergraduate students. The talks will be held in the SPS Hospitality Suite and start shortly after the pizza arrives. Two to three talks are anticipated on both Thursday and Friday. The precise schedule is currently being arranged, so check-back on the [77th Annual SESAPS meeting](#) website periodically.

Thursday, October 21	12:05 pm	- TBD
	12:20 pm	- TBD
	12:40 pm	- TBD
Friday, October 21	12:05 pm	- TBD
	12:20 pm	- TBD
	12:40 pm	- TBD

SPS Poster Session: We are planning a poster session featuring undergraduate research which will be held following the LIGO Tour on Thursday, October 21 afternoon. Abstracts should be emailed to Professor-Research [T. Gregory Guzik](#) at Louisiana State University (Guzik@phunds.phys.lsu.edu). The deadline for SPS session abstract submission is **October 6, 2010**. During this poster session the **best undergraduate presenter will receive the Marsh White Award with a monetary value of \$200**. Note that to be eligible for this award the student must be present with their poster during the session and available to answer questions. Undergraduate students who present at the regular SESAPS sessions will not be eligible for this award.

Students participating in the SPS Poster Session need to register, but registration for undergraduate students is free. Note that students presenting in only the SPS Poster Session are **not** eligible for the [SESAPS Student Travel Grant](#).

Poster format, procedures, location and presentation time will follow that for the regular SESAPS poster session. The exception is that IDs for all posters in this session will begin with SPS-.

Instructions for submitting an abstract to the SPS Poster Session:

1. **Submission:** By e-mail only to [Prof. T. Gregory Guzik](#)
2. **Deadline: Wednesday October 6, 2010**
3. **Abstract file format:** MSWord
4. **Abstract style:** Use the template or follow the instructions below

Title in bold Times New Roman font size 12

Authors with institutions in plain Times New Roman font size 12

The body of the abstract should be typed here in plain Times New Roman font size 12. The body of the abstract should be no longer than 250 words. The top and side margins should be 1". The paper size should be letter (8.5"x11"), and the paper orientation should be portrait.