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Ms Doni Hatz, President, The ASGS

SUBJECT:

Symposium Coordinator Report

FROM:

Jerry A. Cloninger

The 2001 meeting in Colorado Springs, CO is progressing well. Ron Bihler and I have had several phone conversations and things are on schedule. As of 25 May, the room pick up was 90% of our room block. This means we get meeting space at no charge. The rates for the symposium are \$113.00 for single/double. These rates will be available four days before and after the meeting dates. Member registration is slow, but we currently have 100 pre registered for the meeting and the seminars are going OK.

The 2002 meeting will be held at Marriott's Grand Hotel at Point Clear, Alabama (near Mobile, Alabama). This meeting will be hosted by the Southeast section and chaired by Gene Nelson. The dates for this meeting will be May 28 thru June 1, 2002. The hotel is located on Mobile Bay across the bay from the city of Mobile and is a very beautiful resort. The rates for this meeting have been established at \$129.00 for single/double. These rates are available three days before and after the meeting dates. You will have to register early the get the published rate. Gene already has several commitments for committee positions and most of the meeting space has been designated. Exhibitor packets will be available to the exhibitors at the Colorado Springs meeting.

The Great Lakes section will serve as our host for the 2003 meeting with Scott Bankroff as the chair. The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Cleveland City Centre hotel in downtown Cleveland, Ohio. The dates for this meeting will be June 17 thru June 21 and the rates should not exceed \$124.00 for single/double. The location of this hotel is very convenient an within walking distance of many city attractions.

The Northeast section has selected a site for the 2004 meeting and we have a completed contract. The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Saratoga Springs hotel located in the town of Saratoga Springs. The hotel rates have been set at \$129.00 single/double and Dan Wilt has been approved as symposium chair for this meeting. The hotel is located within walking distance of approximately 50 restaurants, pubs and unique shopping.

Should this BOD consider any changes to the current symposium format, they should be discussed and recommendations made at this meeting (should we consider only having a symposium every other year). Things that affect the hotel and dates contracted for should only be considered for the 2005 symposium. Things that affect our program only, can be changed at almost any time. I welcome any comments.

I am now seeking a host section for the 2005 symposium. If any section is interested, please contact me.

Respectfully, Jerry A. Cloninger