The Center for Ocean Science Education Excellence (COSEE) invites non-formal educators to a Workshop in Ocean Sciences

**Bridging the Gap:**
The Changing Paradigm in Science and Education
December 10 - 11, 2003
Paramount Hotel, Gainesville

The purpose of the workshop is to provide non-formal educators involved in outreach programs (those that work at museums, aquariums, nature centers, water management districts, county extension offices, etc.) with the latest research information on marine and coastal topics, opportunities to network with colleagues and scientists, and a forum for discussing ways to bridge the gap between the scientific and educational communities.

**What is COSEE?** The University of Florida COSEE is one of a number of sites around the United States designated to develop ocean science education opportunities that connect scientists and educators. COSEE is funded by the National Science Foundation, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Sea Grant College Program and National Oceanographic Partnership Program/Office of Naval Research. Florida Sea Grant in collaboration with UF/IFAS Extension and the Florida Museum of Natural History, is sponsoring the workshop.

A registration fee of $20 covers all materials, lodging at the Paramount Hotel and dinner on December 10, and breakfast and lunch on December 11. Participants are responsible for their own transportation and expenses to and from the workshop site.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10**
1:30 - 5:00 pm  Workshop Introductions and Goals/What is COSEE?
Shark Biology, Management & Conservation Issues
Fish Collections at Florida Museum of Natural History
Marine Biotechnology – Pharmaceuticals and Industry Products from the Ocean
6:30 - 9:00 pm  Reception and Dinner at the Florida Museum of Natural History

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11**
8:30 am - 3:00 pm  Aquatic and Marine Invasive Species
Ocean Observation Systems
Bridging the Gap: Changing the Science/Education Paradigm - Discussion
Next Steps

For more information on the workshop contact
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REGISTRATION FORM

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Name ________________________________________________________________

Affiliation ___________________________________________________________

Title ________________________________________________________________

Address _____________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip ____________________________________________________________________

Work Phone ________________________ Home Phone _____________________________

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Registration of $20.00 includes workshop materials, lodging and meals. Space is limited, be sure to register before November 26, 2003.

Make check payable to: University of Florida SHARE

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