

To: GES Membership

Date: January 29, 2019



2019 GEORGIA ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING

The upcoming meeting will be held **April 10-12, 2019** at the Lake Blackshear Resort and Golf Club in Cordele, GA. A block of rooms is available at <https://www.lakeblackshearresort.com/accommodations> or 1-800-459-1230 (group #308694). To receive the contracted room rate, contact the Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club by **March 11, 2019** (reservation deadline).

Be sure and mention that you are with the *Georgia Entomological Society* to get the meeting rate. Room rates in both the Villa and the Lodge are \$109.00 (plus \$10 resort fee, and taxes) per night. The discounted room rate is also available before and after the conference, if you should choose to extend your stay.

- Note: State employees should bring tax-exempt forms.
- Note: Breakfast will not be provided by GES.

As in the past, the meeting will have a Founders Lecture recognizing the 2019 Founder honoree.

The meeting will also consist of contributed papers and posters from regular members; B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. student paper competitions; student poster competition; announcement of the M.S. and Ph.D. scholarship winners; industry panel session; photo salon competition; fishing tournament; fun run; and silent auction.

The meeting registration fees will be \$150 for regular members, \$75 for Fellows and Emeritus members, and \$25 for spouses. Student registration is \$25. **Registration includes annual dues** (you do NOT have to pay dues separately), journal subscription, awards luncheon, morning and afternoon breaks, the evening mixer, and other meeting benefits (e.g., cash awards, scholarships, plaques).

PAPER AND POSTER SUBMISSION

Submit paper and poster titles by **March 11, 2019**. *Please don't wait until the last minute*. Submit your paper or poster to Nancy Hinkle via email at (NHinkle@uga.edu).

Be sure to include the following:

- Title, Author(s), Author(s) Affiliations
- Is it a Paper or Poster?
- Are you a regular member, B.S. student, M.S. student, or Ph.D. student?

Please be sure to use this format when emailing:

Life as the Kudzu Bug (Hemiptera: Plataspidae) Whisperer. Wayne Gardner¹ and Phillip M. Roberts²
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Submitted papers should be 8 minutes long with 2 minutes for discussion. A PC laptop, computer projector, remote control/laser pointer, and wired microphone will be available for oral presentations. *Authors must have PowerPoint presentations on a flash drive to load onto the computer prior to the session.*

Posters should be **no larger than 36" wide by 48" tall** to fit on the poster boards. Please bring Velcro to adhere your poster to the board. Posters should be easily read from a distance of 6 feet (font >28 point).

Competitions

- Best oral presentation by B.S. student (J.H. Oliver, Jr. Award)
- Best oral presentation by M.S. student (T.L. Bissell Award)
- Best oral presentation by Ph.D. student (C.M. Beckham Award)
- Best student poster submission (U.E. Brady Award)
- Best oral presentation by a regular member (O.I. Snapp Award)

Oral Presentation Judging Criteria

- Organization (20 points)—sequence of topics logical and effective; introduction, body of talk
- Delivery (20 points)—poise, audibility, expression, eye contact, use of pointer
- Visual Aids (20 points)—appropriate for subject matter, legible, visual appeal
- Subject Matter (30 points)—important questions addressed, appropriate methods
- Handling of Questions (10 points)—questions made clear to audience; answers logical and appropriate
- Conforming to time constraints (maximum 8 point penalty)—deduction of 1 point for each 15 seconds over time or each 30 seconds under time limit.

Poster Presentation Judging Criteria

- Organization (30 points)—sequence of topics logical and effective; introduction, body of talk
- Presentation (30 points)—legible, visual appeal, coordination of text and figures
- Subject Matter (30 points)—originality, scientific rigor, difficulty of problem
- Conclusion/Synthesis (10 points)—summary of main points clear and concise, logical, justified

Other Activities

GES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Scholarship applications should be sent to Dan Suiter (DSuiter@uga.edu) by **March 11, 2019**. See the GES website for guidelines on scholarship applications (<https://blog.caes.uga.edu/ges/scholarships/>).

FISHING TOURNAMENT

To be held **Wednesday, April 10, 2019; meet at 12 noon at the boat docks at the lodge**. Details and "rules" of the competition will be available soon. Email Will Hudson (wghudson@uga.edu) for details. Call 1-800-366-2661 or go online (<http://www.georgiawildlife.com/licenses-permits-passes>) to obtain a Georgia fishing license, if you do not currently have one.

“BLACKSHEAR BURROWER BUG BUSTLE” FUN RUN

To be held **Wednesday, April 10, 2019; meet at 5:00PM in the hotel lobby**. If you would like to participate, email the Blackshear Burrower Bug Bustle organizer Jason Schmidt (jschmid2@uga.edu).

SILENT AUCTION

We're excited to announce the first annual GES Silent Auction. All attendees are welcome to view the donated items up for auction and place bids. All proceeds will be used to support the society (e.g., student awards and scholarships).

How does the Silent Auction work?

Donated items are displayed with a bid sheet beside each item. When you find an item you like, write down your bid, making sure your bid is above the required minimum opening bid. Throughout the day, periodically check your bid, and if someone has outbid you, you can raise your bid by writing down a new, higher bid. At the close of the auction, the highest bidder wins the item.

Seeking Donated Items

We are currently seeking donations for the Silent Auction. Scour your office, closet, or attic for unique treasures to be auctioned. Donated items may include physical items or purchased services. Some examples include: books, artwork, framed specimens, nature photography, entomology supplies, T-shirts, hats, outdoor gear, pottery, jewelry, gift cards. Clothing items should be new. Other items should be clean and in good condition.

If you would like to donate an item for the Silent Auction, complete the donation form at the link below then bring the item(s) with you to the Annual Meeting. Donations can be dropped off at the GES Registration Table on **Wednesday, April 10, 2019 from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM or Thursday, April 11, 2019 from 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM**.

Donation form: <https://goo.gl/forms/QSRC89pmleRrPTIt1>

If you'd like to serve as a volunteer for the auction or have any questions, contact the auction organizer, Michelle Tremblay (mtremblay@georgiasouthern.edu).

PHOTO SALON

Email submissions directly to Lisa Ames (lames@uga.edu), by **March 11, 2019**. See rules below.

Other Information

1. Meeting Registration and Payment (no deadline): Go to <https://blog.caes.uga.edu/ges/> to use your PayPal account. Checks may be sent to Stan Diffie at Dept. of Entomology, 2360 Rainwater Rd., Tifton, GA 31793. Pre-registration strongly encouraged, but not necessary.
2. If you have any questions, contact Nancy Hinkle, GES Program Chair at (NHinkle@uga.edu) or 706-583-8043.

INSECT PHOTO SALON

CATEGORIES: Portrait—close-up photo of a living insect. **Biology**—photo that ‘tells a story’ of how insects live and/or die. **Sequence**—3-5 photos describing insect biology. **Microscopic**—photo of living insect, non-living insect or insect material.

FORMAT: Preference will be given to photographs with a horizontal format as this format is needed for journal cover consideration. Limit of 2 individual photos per category and one sequence per participant.

DIGITAL IMAGE REQUIREMENTS: Digital images submitted for cover photos must be saved and submitted as TIFF files or high quality JPEG files. For cover consideration, photos should be at least 1 MB in file size (preferably larger—the more detailed the better), but still feature the insect prominently without an abundance of extraneous background.

Submission of Digital Images: Digital submissions should be submitted to Lisa Ames (lames@uga.edu) or, if too large, send on a CD (see below for CD submission). Each image, whether sent via e-mail or regular mail, should include name of photographer, category, photo title and brief description.

DEADLINE: All entries must be received by Lisa Ames by **March 11, 2019**.

JUDGING: Criteria for judging are excellence in photographic technique, aesthetic appeal, engaging use of subject and scientific accuracy.

Four photos will be chosen from the total pool of photos to appear on the cover of the *Journal of Entomological Science*. Photos need not win a category to be chosen for a cover.

For regular mail submissions, please use the following form:

Please fill out one form for each category entered.

Please make sure that your name is on every slide or that every file is named.

CIRCLE THE CATEGORY YOU WISH TO ENTER:

PORTRAIT BIOLOGY SEQUENCE MICROSCOPIC

Photographer's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

SLIDE or FILE TITLE/DESCRIPTION (Please Print, limit of two for categories other than Sequence):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Slide submissions will be turned into digital files for judging. **Send all non-digital entries and digital CD entries to: Lisa Ames, Department of Entomology, Griffin Experiment Station, 1109 Experiment St., Griffin, GA 30223**