

Soil Science Society of Georgia

2015-2016

January 15, 2016

SSSGA Members:

I hope this letter finds everyone well. It is time for our Annual SSSGA meeting. It will be held on February 22nd-23rd, 2016. The meeting will be held at Flinchum's Phoenix in Athens, GA. Located within the Warnell School's Whitehall Forest, Flinchum's Phoenix is a spectacular setting for a meeting to discuss soil science. From Warnell's website:

“Whitehall Forest covers approximately 840 acres in the Piedmont region's Clarke and Oconee Counties, approximately 4 miles from downtown Athens, Ga. The forest is comprised of natural pine, planted pine, pine hardwood, hardwood pine, upland hardwood, and bottomland hardwood.”

As you look through our agenda for this year's meeting, you will notice we will be spending time at Flinchum's Phoenix and on the campus of the University of Georgia. Our field trip this year will allow us to tour UGA's campus and view stormwater techniques and tools being used to control stormwater flow, sediment, and dispersal within the developed campus setting. Due to the success of last year's Low Country Boil, we are planning a Bar B Q dinner for Monday night to provide a chance for fellowship and further discussion.

I am looking forward to another great meeting and seeing all of you again soon. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me.

Thanks,

Patrick Davies

President Elect

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2016 SOIL SCIENCE SOCIETY OF GEORGIA ANNUAL MEETING

(Flinchum's Phoenix , Athens, GA)

Monday – February 22, 2016

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Executive Committee Meeting
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch @ Flinchum's Phoenix (Included with Registration)
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Field Trip – Tour of UGA Campus Stormwater Measures
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Dinner – Catered Bar B Q Dinner (at Flinchum's Phoenix) (\$10 per person)

Tuesday – February 23, 2016

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Georgia State Department of Public Health Update (Chris Kumnick, DPH)
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	High Strength Waste and Design Implications (Jim King, Eljen Corporation)
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Break - Poster Review
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Student Intern Presentations from UGA
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	EPA CID, Region 4, An overview of EPA's Criminal Investigation Division (S. Michael Sparks, Special Agent, U.S. EPA CID)
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Poster Awards and UGA Soil Judging Updates (Dr. Miller, UGA)
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch @ Flinchum's Phoenix (Included with Registration)
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	SSSGA, Business Meeting
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Field Trip @ Whitehall Forest Property: Test Pit Observations and Aquaculture research)

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Ballot for President-Elect for the Soil Science Society of Georgia

> The President-Elect will serve in that capacity and perform such duties as outlined in the By-Laws of the organization for the period from annual meeting February 2016 through annual meeting February 2017.

> The President-Elect shall then succeed to the Presidency for the period from annual meeting February 2017 through annual meeting February 2018. The President will serve in that capacity and perform such duties as outlined in the By-Laws of the organization.

Please nominate/vote for one:

Write-in Candidate

Please return this ballot by no later than February 14, 2016 with your registration form.

SSSGA Annual Meeting Information and Directions

Flinchum's Phoenix:

Address for Google Maps: 650 Phoenix Rd., Athens, GA. GPS Coordinates: 33.878749,-83.351035
<http://www.warnell.uga.edu/about/directions.php#flinchum>

Driving Directions To Flinchum's Phoenix:

Address for Google Maps: 650 Phoenix Rd., Athens, GA. GPS Coordinates: 33.878749,-83.351035

From the West on GA 316

As you enter Athens, take the GA 10 Loop N ramp, merging onto Athens Perimeter Highway/US 78 E. After four miles, take Exit 6 for Milledge Avenue. Turn right, following Milledge for about two miles. Milledge forks when it reaches Whitehall Road. Take the right fork, crossing Whitehall Road and enter Whitehall Forest (there will be a sign to the left of the entrance). Stay on the main road for 1.5 miles until it dead ends at Flinchum's Phoenix.

From the East on US 78

Follow US 78 as it enters Athens, passing Wal-Mart, Lowe's and the police station on your right. About two miles past the police station, turn left onto the US 129/GA 10 Loop N/US 78 W/US 441 S/GA 14 S ramp. Take Exit 6 for Milledge Avenue. Turn left, following Milledge for about two miles. Milledge forks when it reaches Whitehall Road. Take the right fork, crossing Whitehall Road and enter Whitehall Forest (there will be a sign to the left of the entrance). Stay on the main road for 1.5 miles until it dead ends at Flinchum's Phoenix.

From the North on US 441

Follow the signs for US 441 south until you reach the GA-10 Loop Bypass around Athens. Turn left for the Watkinsville/Danielsville ramp, merging onto the bypass. Take Exit 10C for US 441S/GA-10/US 129, which puts you on a different section of the loop. Take Exit 6 for Milledge Avenue, turning left onto Milledge. After about two miles, Milledge forks when it reaches Whitehall Road. Take the right fork, cross Whitehall Road and onto Phoenix Road, which leads into Whitehall Forest. Follow the main road for 1.5 miles. It dead ends at Flinchum's Phoenix.

From the South on US 129/US 441

Follow US 129/US 441 north until you reach the GA-10 Bypass Loop around Athens. Take the ramp for the Loop (follow directions for UGA). Take Exit 6, the Milledge Avenue exit, and then turn right onto Milledge. After about two miles, Milledge forks when it reaches Whitehall Road. Take the right fork, cross Whitehall Road and onto Phoenix Road, which leads into Whitehall Forest. Follow the main road for 1.5 miles. It dead ends at Flinchum's Phoenix.

SSSGA Annual Meeting hotel contacts:

Holiday Inn Express 513 W Broad St, Athens, GA 30601 1-706-546-8122

We have a block of rooms reserved for the meetings at 79.00 plus tax per night.

The group code for guests to use online or when calling to make reservations at [706.546.8122](tel:706.546.8122) is code **SSS**. Below is an online link guests may use to make reservations within the block.

<http://www.hiexpress.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=ex&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=ahndt&PMID=99801505&GPC=sss>

General Information:

For the convenience of attendees, all meetings, meals and field trips will be either on-site or on the UGA campus. You may want to consider bringing a chair for the field trips.

Please take advantage of our BBQ Dinner on Monday evening. This is a great value and opportunity to fellowship.

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Flinchum's Phoenix - Athens, Georgia

Poster Invitation

At the Annual Meeting of the Soil Science Society of Georgia we would like to have members and students present soil related posters or soil related exhibits. The posters may range up to size of 48 inches high by 48 inches wide and meet the same standards as the Soil Science Society of America posters. You may present posters that have been exhibited elsewhere. We also welcome displays and exhibits such as interesting soil maps, soil samples, soil instruments, soil photography, or other items of interest to the membership. Often we work alone and this is a chance to share information and have fun.

This year there will be cash prizes. First prize is \$150, second prize is \$100 and third prize is \$50. This is also good recognition and practice for student presenters.

Please reply by February 2nd, 2016 to Kevin Herndon at kherndon@charter.net if you would like to present.

Author:

Poster Title:

(or) Exhibit Title:

Posters will be mounted in the reception area.
Exhibits will be placed on tables or as appropriate.

Remember Posters and Exhibits count as CEUs.