

Soil Science Society of Georgia

2022-2023

January 18, 2023

SSGA Members:

I hope everyone had a safe, healthy, and busy year. But it is already time for our Annual SSSGA meeting, to be held at our bi-annual meeting location, *Flinchum's Phoenix*, in the Warnell School's Whitehall Forest, February 27 and 28, 2023. This facility provides a convenient geographical location, with ample secluded meeting space.

This year's agenda is attached. As usual, Flinchum Pheonix is the focal point. Fieldtrip on Monday to observe several Piedmont soil pits; Monday evening gathering at Amici's in Athens; and Tuesday meetings.

I am a strong believer for the need of CEUs. And our annual meetings are the most important ones to gather. One stop for updates on regulations and procedures, academic research, and business management. And our meetings always provide a chance to see old friends, meet new ones, exchange ideas and experiences with fellow colleagues. "To confer, converse, and otherwise hob-nob with my brother wizards" (Wizard of Oz, 1939).

Soil Scientists provide a vital service through our unique knowledge and training; being able to delineate natural soil landscapes. No other discipline does it. And few field sciences have such an immediate impact on responsible land-use decisions.

I look forward to seeing everyone again. Have a safe trip.

Regards,

Rick Joslyn,
President

2023 SOIL SCIENCE SOCIETY OF GEORGIA ANNUAL MEETING

**Flinchum's Phoenix, Whitehall Forest
Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources**

Monday – February 27, 2023

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Executive Committee Meeting (Committee only)
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Field Trip – Preview NRCS Soils Workshop – Test Pits (Adjacent to Flinchum's Phoenix, Whitehall Forest)
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	Group Dinner – Amici's in Athens (on your own)

Tuesday – February 28, 2023

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Joro Spider – Invasive Species – Dr. Kamal Gandhi, UGA Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Business Ethics – Corporate Social Responsibility, Moral Development, Managerial Ethics, Government and Business – Dr. Lynn Guhde, UGA Terry College of Business
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Break & Poster Review
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Georgia Dept. of Public Health Update, Q&A - Thomas Vanderboom/Adam Stell, GADPH
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	UGA Soil Judging Updates – Matt Levi, UGA
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Student Intern Presentations
1:30 PM – 3:15 PM	Septic Product Application Rates – Thomas Martin, P.E.,
3:15 PM – 3:30 PM	Break & Poster Review
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	SSSGA Business Meeting

Title (Mr., Mrs.,Ms.,Dr.)	First name	Last name
Street address		
City	State	Zip Code
Telephone	Email	Fax

Registration For Annual Meeting to be held February 27-28, Athens, Georgia (*check one*)

Individual/Active Life	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$75 (\$85 on-site)
Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15

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Academia and Research	Consultant	Student
Business and Industry	Government	Other

2023 SSSGA ANNUAL MEETING LOCATION

February 27 & 28, Flinchum's Phoenix

Whitehall Forest

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:

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.

Call 404-444-0259 (Kevin Herndon) if assistance is needed.

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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 business meeting February 2023 through annual meeting February 2024.

> The President-Elect shall then succeed to the Presidency for the period from annual meeting February 2024 through annual meeting February 2025. 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:

Doug Cabe

Write-in Candidate

About the nominee: Doug is a longtime member and active participant with the SSSGA. Doug operates Cohutta Land Company LLC in Calhoun, Georgia and was previously employed with NRCS.

Ballots for Secretary and Treasurer for the Soil Science Society of Georgia

> The Secretary and Treasurer will serve in their respective capacities and perform such duties as outlined in the By-Laws of the organization for the period from business meeting February 2023 through annual meeting February 2028. Term is five (5) years.

Please nominate/vote for one: Secretary

Christian Hoadley

Write-in Candidate

About the nominee: Christian is a longtime member and active participant with the SSSGA. Christian operates Atlas Environmental Consulting LLC in Loganville, Georgia.

Please nominate/vote for one: Treasurer

Shawn May

Write-in Candidate

About the nominee: Shawn is a longtime member, active participant with the SSSGA, and has served two terms (10 years) as our Treasurer. Shawn has graciously agreed to continue in this service if the membership so chooses. Shawn operates Absolute Soil Consulting in Athens, Georgia.

Soil Science Society of Georgia
Annual Meeting February 27th and 28th, 2023
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 discuss.

This year there will be cash prizes for posters presented by students. First prize is \$150, second prize is \$100, and third prize is \$50.

Due to our traditional compressed meeting schedule, we require that **all posters be delivered to Flinchum's Phoenix by 4:00 pm on Monday, February 27**. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Attenders will need sufficient time to review and score posters on Tuesday, February 28 beginning at 8:00 am.

Remember Posters and Exhibits count as CEUs.