



Carmen Pedersen, President-Elect
Georgia Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
February 2, 2019

On behalf of the GAFCS Board of Directors I cordially invite you to an exciting event in professional development. . . the 2019 state annual conference. This event will take place in the Tift County Extension Office in Tifton, Georgia March 22, 2019. The address is 1468 Carpenter Rd South, Tifton, Georgia 31793.

The theme of the conference is *Creativity and Innovation in Family and Consumer Sciences*. During this event, we will learn how professionals in all areas of our field are fulfilling the mission of our profession. Presenters include, UGA Assistant Professor of Agricultural and Applied Economics, Adam Rabinowitz, sharing about the impact of Hurricane Michael on Georgia agriculture; UGA Extension's Southwest District Director, Andrea Scarrow, sharing about the Healthier Together programs in rural, at-risk Georgia counties; UGA Professor and Financial Planning Specialist, Joan Koonce, sharing about protecting our assets with estate planning; Georgia Southern Assistant Professor, Seda Dazkir, sharing about the value of interior design; Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Regional Services Administrator, Jennifer Dunn, sharing about rural stress and mental health issues; current peanut nutrition and peanut allergy research from the Georgia Peanut Commission; and ABAC Assistant Vice President for Engaged Learning, Darby Sewell, will share about the status of FCS Education at ABAC. We will also honor some of our members, install new officers, conduct business, and discuss the 2020 IFHE World Congress during lunch. Poster displays will further showcase work that is being done throughout our state. The tentative Schedule at a Glance is included. This year we would like for you to "toot your own horn" by completing the enclosed form.

So, join us in Tifton on March 22 where you will learn about the quality of life of Georgian's and be inspired to make a difference. The registration form has information to confirm your plans to attend. **Complete the form; enclose a check and mail postmarked by March 6 for early-bird registration.** Prepayment is required to be registered. *All your guests must be registered if attending.*

Also enclosed is a listing of some of the hotels in the Tifton area. Please note that there are no room blocks at any of them. Please make your own hotel reservations to fit your needs. Since most hotels provide a continental breakfast, please eat breakfast before arriving at the conference.

This year, we have 2 exciting ways that you can help GAFCS! First, consider committing to the 5 for 5 initiative (\$25 pledge for 5 years) to fund GAFCS scholarships. Detailed information can be found on the homepage of gafcs.org or by contacting Megan Presley. Second, consider bringing in items to donate to our silent auction. We are looking for theme baskets, gift cards, or other items students and professionals would bid on. Contact Megan Presley at meganpresley114@gmail.com for more information or to confirm your donation.

Refund Policy: Conference fees less \$10 service charge will be refunded if request is received in writing by March 15. There will be no refunds for cancellation after March 15.

AAFCS Professional Development Units have been applied for and such credentials will be available in your registration packet.

I look forward to seeing you in Tifton on March 22.

Sincerely,

Carmen Pedersen



GAFCS Conference Registration Form
March 22, 2019 in Tifton, Georgia
8:15 am – 4:30 pm



(Please Print or Type)

Name _____
 (as it will appear on name tag)

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Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (H) _____ (W) _____ Email _____

AAFCS Member AAFCS Membership Number* _____

(*Visit the AAFCS Membership Website at <http://www.aafcs.org> to join)

How many years have you been a member? _____ Is this your first Annual Conference? Y N

GAFCS Conference Registration

Registration Fee:

Professional: \$65.00 until March 6 (postmarked by March 6) \$ _____

\$75.00 after March 6 (postmarked after March 6) \$ _____

Students: \$20.00 \$ _____

Donations: (to support student participants) \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to "GAFCS"

Cancellation Policy: Conference fee less \$10 Service Charge will be refunded if request is received in writing by March 15, 2019. There will be no refunds for cancellation after March 15, 2019.

Send Registration to:
 Carmen Pedersen
 658 Ingram Road
 Danielsville, Georgia 30633
carmen.n.pedersen@gmail.com

Conference Location:
 Tift County Extension Office
 1468 Carpenter Rd South
 Tifton, Georgia 31793

See Below for the TENTATIVE Schedule at a Glance and Hotel Information



Georgia Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (GAFCS)
Annual Conference
Tift County Extension Office
1468 Carpenter Rd South, Tifton, Georgia 31793

March 22, 2019

Creativity and Innovation in Family and Consumer Sciences

Schedule at a Glance

BREAKFAST ON YOUR OWN

8:15 – 8:30 – REGISTRATION and POSTER SET-UP

- Between session, browse the posters on display.

8:30 – 9:30 – OPENING SESSION

- Welcome, Megan Palmer, GAFCS President
- The Impact of Hurricane Michael on Georgia Agriculture, Adam Rabinowitz, UGA Assistant Professor Agricultural and Applied Economics

9:40-10:30 - SESSION 1 and STUDENT BREAKOUT

- PROFESSIONALS: Healthier Together in Rural Georgia, Andrea Scarrow, UGA Extension Southwest District Director
- OR -
- STUDENTS: Student Unit Networking and University Chapter Updates

10:40 – 11:30 – SESSION 2

- Protecting Your Assets: A Critical but Overlooked Issue for Many Consumers, Joan Koonce, Ph.D., AFC®, CPFFE, Professor and Financial Planning Specialist, UGA Extension

11:45 – 1:15 – LUNCH SESSION

- Business Meeting, Megan Palmer, GAFCS President
- Awards & Recognition, Ashleigh Childs, GAFCS President of Awards & Recognition
- Officer Installation, Karen Jones, GAFCS Counselor
- 2020 IFHE Update- Joanne Cavis, GAFCS Vice President of Public Policy
- Update from 2018 Julius Benton Professional Improvement Award, Linda Johnson, Ph.D., FVSU Associate Professor of Food and Nutrition
- Status of FCS Education at ABAC- Dr. Darby Sewell, ABAC Assistant Vice President for Engaged Learning

1:30 – 2:20 – SESSION 3

- The Value of Interior Design, Seda Dazkir, Ph.D., Georgia Southern Assistant Professor Interior Design

2:30 – 3:20 – SESSION 4

- Rural Stress and Mental Health, Jennifer Dunn, Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Behavioral Health Regional Services Administrator

3:30 – 4:20 – SESSION 5

- Peanut Nutrition and Allergies, Georgia Peanut Commission

4:39 – 4:45 - CLOSING SESSION and DOOR PRIZES

**Georgia Association of
Family & Consumer Sciences**

**2019 Annual Meeting Poster Session Form
Tift County Extension Office, Tifton Georgia**

**Complete form and send to carmen.n.pedersen@gmail.com or mail to:
Carmen Pedersen
658 Ingram Road
Danielsville, Georgia 30633**

Name _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail Address _____

Daytime Phone _____ Fax _____

Poster Title _____

Please bring poster putty to hang your poster.

Summary: In 25 to 50 words, please describe your poster topic.

**Hotel Information
for 2019 GAFCS State Conference**

Comfort Inn & Suites

320 S. Virginia Avenue
Tifton, Georgia 31794
(229) 382-8250
www.choicehotels.com
Free breakfast, free wi-fi,
fitness center, pool

Country Inn & Suites by Carlson

310 S. Virginia Avenue
Tifton, Georgia 31794
(229) 382-8100
www.countryinns.com
Free breakfast, free wi-fi,
fitness center, pool, hot tub

Days Inn by Wyndham Tifton

1199 US-92
Tifton, Georgia 31793
(229) 256-4950
www.wyndhamhotels.com
Free breakfast, fitness center,
pool

Econo Lodge

1025 W. 2nd Street
Tifton, Georgia 31794
www.choicehotels.com
Free breakfast, fitness center,
pool, hot tub

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Tifton

806 7th Street W.
Tifton, Georgia 31794
(229) 387-8288
www.marriott.com
Free breakfast, fitness center, pool

Hampton Inn and Suites

720 US Highway 319 S.
Tifton, Georgia 31794
(229) 382-8800
www.hamptoninn3.hilton.com Free
breakfast, free wi-fi,
fitness center, pool

Hilton Garden Inn Tifton

201 Boo Drive
Tifton, Georgia 31793
(229) 382-8484
www.hiltongardeninn3.hilton.com Free
wi-fi, fitness center,
pool, hot tub

Holiday Inn Express

814 7th Street W.
Tifton, Georgia 31794
(229) 382-8300
www.ihg.com
Free breakfast, free wi-fi, fitness
center, pool

Howard Johnson by Wyndham Tifton

579 Old Omega Road
Tifton, Georgia 31794
(229) 388-8777
www.wyndhamhotels.com
Free breakfast

GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

TOOT YOUR OWN HORN

During the year, we want to celebrate you! Share the accomplishments you have made this past MEMBERSHIP YEAR! Do not be shy! Simply complete this form anytime during the current year and send it to Ashleigh Childs, VP for Awards and Recognition at: aec10754@uga.edu.

NAME:

EMPLOYER,
SCHOOL
SYSTEM OR
UNIVERSITY:

POSITION:

OR RETIRED Yes

Please tell us about the award(s), promotion, honors and/or recognitions you have received during the most recent membership year: (Include professional and/or personal). Suggestions to include: Published Work(s); Promotions; Tenures; Teacher of the Week, Month, and/or Year; National Board Certifications; AAFCS Recognition/Awards; FCCLA Adviser Awards; Congressional Citations; Golden Apple Awards; Mother of the Year; Chamber of Commerce Awards; Earned Degrees; Scholarships; Births; Weddings; Retirements; New Jobs; Trainings; Certifications; Elected Offices; Volunteer Contributions to Society; etc.