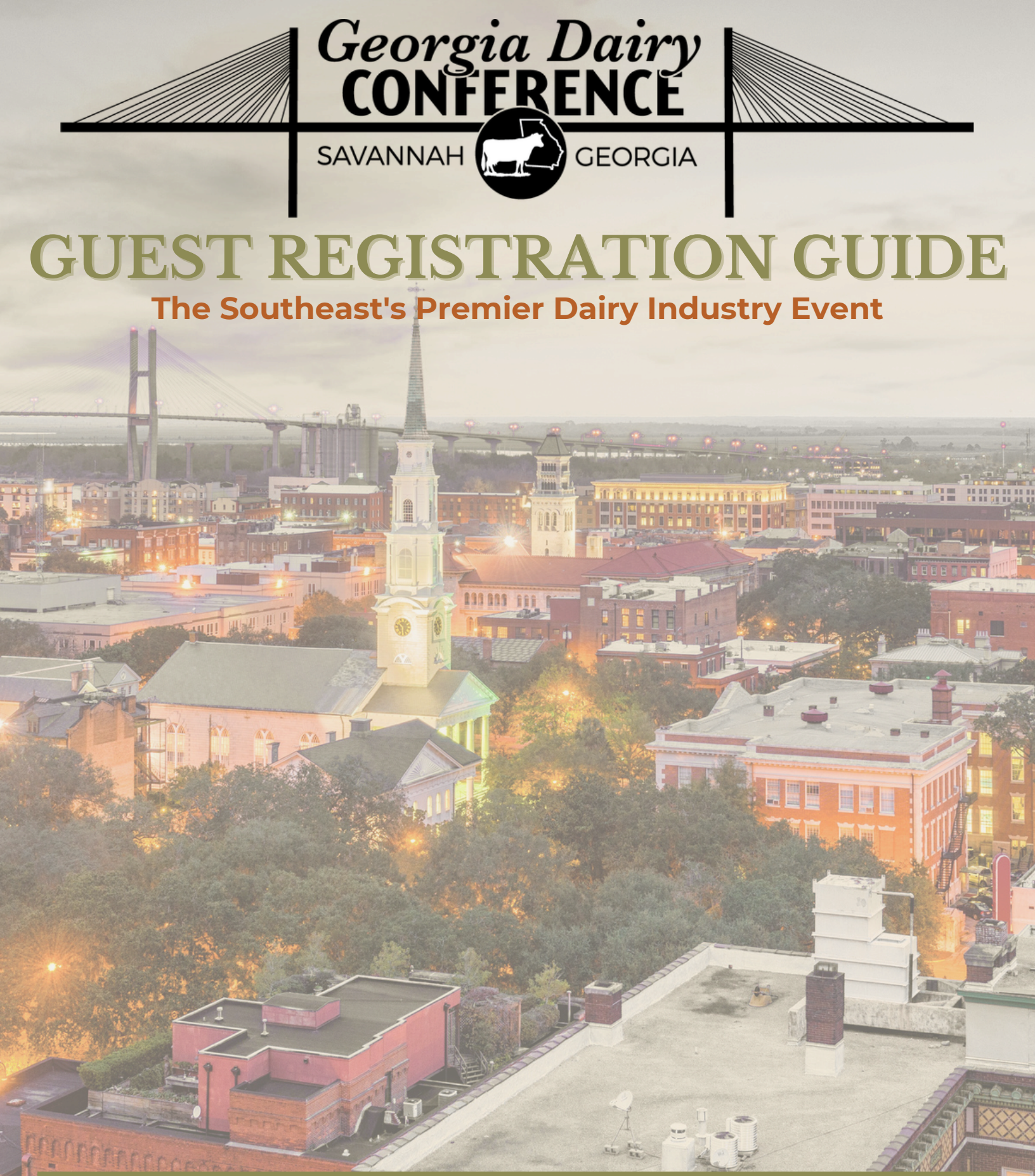
Georgia Dairy CONFERENCE

SAVANNAH GEORGIA

GUEST REGISTRATION GUIDE

The Southeast's Premier Dairy Industry Event



January
18-20, 2027

Marriott Savannah
Riverfront

Join us for the 2027 Georgia Dairy Conference

For the last 17 years, Georgia Milk Producers has hosted the Southeast's premier dairy conference in Savannah, Georgia. This "must attend" event provides companies with the opportunity to hear from top educators, industry leaders, and fellow dairymen.

Attendees enjoy networking with each other, sharing ideas, and building new working relationships within the dairy industry.

We understand that each dairy farm is different, and the dairy industry is comprised of producers with varying management structures and styles. That is why we design our programming to benefit dairy farms of all sizes.

GDC Attracts Dairy Producers From Across US



Registration*

Early Bird = $250 Regular = $300

All guest registrations include access to the GDC General Session Seminars, Trade Show, breakfast on Tuesday and Wednesday, admission to the GDC Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, and all exhibitor break refreshments.

Georgia Dairy Farmers - FREE

Georgia dairy farmers, their families, and farm employees receive complimentary registration.

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*Full registration details on page 5.

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General Session Seminars

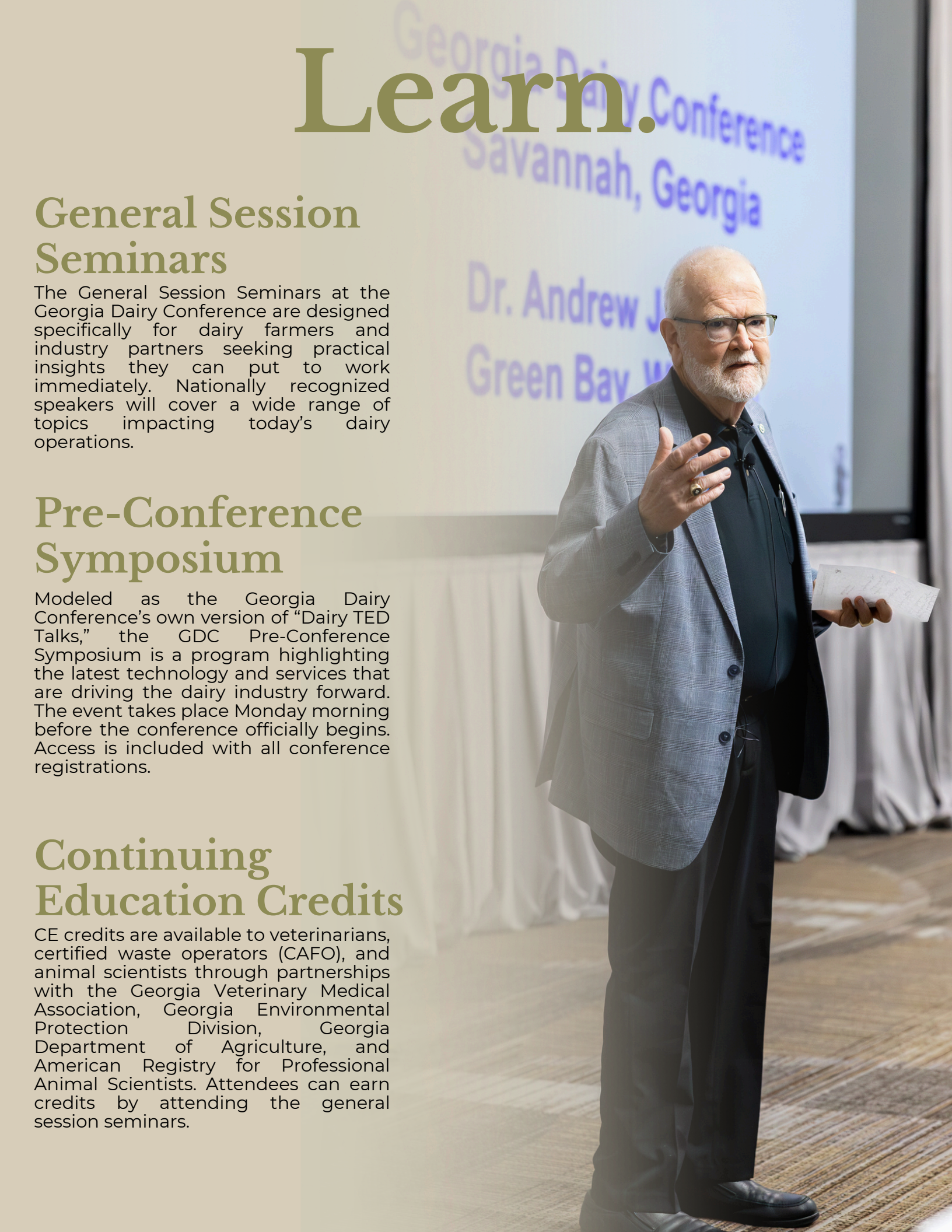
The General Session Seminars at the Georgia Dairy Conference are designed specifically for dairy farmers and industry partners seeking practical insights they can put to work immediately. Nationally recognized speakers will cover a wide range of topics impacting today's dairy operations.

Pre-Conference Symposium

Modeled as the Georgia Dairy Conference's own version of "Dairy TED Talks," the GDC Pre-Conference Symposium is a program highlighting the latest technology and services that are driving the dairy industry forward. The event takes place Monday morning before the conference officially begins. Access is included with all conference registrations.

Continuing Education Credits

CE credits are available to veterinarians, certified waste operators (CAFO), and animal scientists through partnerships with the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association, Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Georgia Department of Agriculture, and American Registry for Professional Animal Scientists. Attendees can earn credits by attending the general session seminars.



Connect.



GDC Trade Show

Join us for the LARGEST educational dairy conference and trade show in the Southeastern United States that unites producers, vendors, and industry leaders under one roof. With over 90 companies exhibiting in the trade show, you don't want to miss this networking opportunity.

Farmer Networking Luncheon

An all-new Farmer Networking Luncheon will take place on Monday, January 18th at 12:00 PM. Before the conference officially kicks off at 1:30 PM, all dairy farmers and sponsors of the luncheon will have dedicated time to network in a causal setting. This specific event is limited to farmers, their families, and sponsors of the luncheon.

Bobby Walker Award Luncheon

Each year GDC provides the opportunity for spouses to fellowship with other dairy wives on Tuesday morning of the conference. This event is a great opportunity for spouses to meet one another and share their dairy experiences while enjoying a relaxing morning.

Grow.

Grow your business, grow your skills, and grow your network at GDC 2027.

I sponsor the GDC every year to show my appreciation and support for our clients in the dairy industry. This event provides unmatched opportunities for me and my company to expand our network and interact directly with dairy producers from across the country.

- Ed Meadows, Meadows Consulting

The GDC is a fun event, Savannah is a great town, and the conference is full of great dairy people. The speakers for the General Session Seminars are very good, and the networking opportunities throughout the event are excellent.

-Pete Gelber, Barrington Dairies

Registration Information

Guest Registration Deadlines

Early Bird: Aug 1- Nov 30; **Regular:** Dec 1 - Dec 30; **Late:** Dec 31 - Jan 11

All guest registrations for the 2027 Georgia Dairy Conference include access to the GDC Trade Show, General Session Seminar Series, Pre-Conference Symposium, GMP Awards Luncheon, and breakfast. Take advantage of our discounted registration rates today and secure your spot at the Southeast's premier dairy event.

GA Milk Producers Members - FREE

The Georgia Dairy Conference began as a way to bring together Georgia's dairy farm families to fellowship and celebrate the Georgia dairy industry. As our program has grown, Georgia Milk Producers, Inc. has remained committed to that original mission of fostering community among our membership. All permitted Georgia dairy farms, their employees, and family will receive complimentary registrations for the 2027 Georgia Dairy Conference.

Out-of-State Producers, Veterinarians, Industry Reps, and Guests - $250 (early bird)

The Georgia Dairy Conference agenda is designed to benefit dairy producers, industry representatives, and consultants from across the country. We believe the strength of our industry comes from the individuals working each day to improve their herds and our industry. Our program is designed to encourage networking and collaboration so that everyone can have an enjoyable and educational experience.

Early Bird: August 3 - November 30 ..... $250
Regular: December 1 - December 30 ..... $300
Late: December 31 - January 11 ..... $325

Register Online Today!

Ready to join us for the 2027 GDC in Savannah, GA? Visit www.gadairyconference.com to register for the Georgia Dairy Conference, explore this year's program, and plan your trip to beautiful Savannah, Georgia. Online registration is quick and easy and provides access to the full conference, including General Session seminars, the GDC Trade Show, networking opportunities, and conference meals. The Georgia Dairy Conference brings together dairy farmers, industry leaders, and partners from across the Southeast for valuable educational opportunities, new ideas, and networking. Don't miss this opportunity to learn from industry experts, explore the latest products and technology, and connect with fellow dairy professionals.

PLEASE NOTE:

Georgia Milk Producers, Inc. is committed to providing an optimal educational experience for attendees.

Georgia Milk reserves the right to deny admission either in advance or on-site to anyone whom it believes will disrupt the conference or hinder the learning experience. This decision will be based in part upon the individual's history and/or the history of the organization with whom the person is affiliated.

To ensure that this event provides an optimal educational experience for all attendees, your registration is subject to final approval.

For more information or specific questions, contact us by email at info@gamilk.org

Conference Agenda

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Monday January 18

7:00 am	ACCM Board of Directors Meeting
8:00 am	Georgia Milk Producers Board of Directors Meeting
8:30 am	Registration Opens for Guests & Producers
9:30 am	**GDC Pre-Conference Symposium**
12:00 pm	GA Dairy Youth Foundation Board of Directors Meeting Farmer Networking Luncheon The Dairy Alliance / ADA of GA Meeting
1:30 pm	**General Session I Begins** Alton Brown, TV Personality & Food Show Host
2:15 pm	Ben Laine, Terrain/Farm Credit
3:00 pm	Exhibitor Break in Atrium Georgia Milk Producers Annual Membership Meeting
4:00 pm	**General Session II Begins** **The Future of Debt and Capital** Matt Lange, IntAGral Financial
4:45 pm	**Southeast Dairy Outlook** Calvin Covington, Retired CEO of Southeast Milk, Inc
5:30 pm	Georgia Dairy Conference Day One Concludes - Open Dinner

Tuesday January 19

7:00 am	Continental Breakfast Opens in Atrium
8:00 am	**General Session III Begins** **Current Trends in Dairy Facilities Construction** Jake Martin, JGMIII Designs
8:30 am	Dairy Spouses Event
8:45 am	**Current Trends in Dairy Facilities Construction** Joe Harner, Kansas State University
9:30 am	Exhibit Break in Atrium
10:30 am	**General Session IV Begins** **Feed Management Economics: Margin Over Milk** Logan Morris, GPS Dairy Consulting
11:15 am	**Producer Insights: Real Life Feed Economics**
11:40 pm	GMP Awards Luncheon / GA Dairy Youth Live Auction
1:00 pm	Exhibit Break in Atrium
1:30 pm	**General Session V Begins** John Cole, Council on Dairy Cattle Breeding
2:15 pm	**Cybersecurity on the Farm** Chris Sherman, Tech Support.Farm
3:00 pm	Exhibit Break in Atrium
4:00 pm	**General Session VI Begins** **Practical Tools for Bridging the Language & Cultural Gap on the Dairy,** Laura Solona, University of Wisconsin
4:45 pm	**Protocol Drift and Management Decision Making** Mark Thomas, DVM, Telus Agriculture & Consumer Goods
5:30 pm	Georgia Dairy Conference Day One Concludes - Open Dinner

Wednesday January 20

7:00 am	Continental Breakfast Opens in Atrium
8:00 am	**General Session VII** Farah Newberry, The Dairy Alliance
8:45 am	**Is Your Manure Worth Hauling? The Economics of Dairy Manure as a Fertilizer Product** Reza Afshar, Dairy Management Inc., Certified Waste Operator CE Opportunity
9:30 am	Exhibit Break in Atrium
10:30 am	**General Session VIII Begins** **Precision Fly Control on Dairy Farms** Wayne Ayers DVM, Elanco Animal Health
11:45 am	**Managing Manure for Performance and Compliance** Mahmoud Sharara, North Carolina State University, Certified Waste Operator CE Opportunity

Enjoy Beautiful Savannah, GA





Savannah has been the official home of the Georgia Dairy Conference since 2010. Known as the "Hostess City of the South," Savannah is world-famous for its historic charm, famous landmarks, bustling Savannah Port traffic, and vibrant culinary scene. Carve out some time while attending the Georgia Dairy Conference to stroll through the historic squares, browse local shops along River Street, or watch the ships sail down the Savannah River. Learn more about all that Savannah has to offer in the official Savannah & Tybee Island Destination Guide.

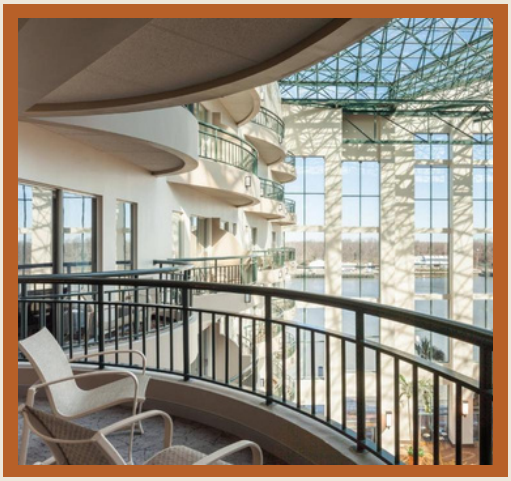
Accommodations

The Marriott Savannah Riverfront Hotel, located on Riverstreet right by the river walk, provides attendees easy access to a variety of delicious restaurants, unique attractions, and local shops. Throughout the conference you'll be able to marvel at the ships that sail into the Port of Savannah and enjoy the serenity of the river, all from the comfort of the Marriott Savannah Riverfront.

GDC attendees can take advantage of a special room rate for the Marriott Savannah Riverfront Hotel, our conference center and host hotel. From January 16 to January 20, book a room at $182.00/night for single and double occupancy rooms.

Attendees must register to attend the Georgia Dairy Conference prior to reserving their room at the host hotel. For more information on booking a room, visit our website at www.gadairyconference.com.





See you in Savannah!



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