



Important reminders are included below. If you are lost en route, please contact the property directly. If you registered for golf, cycling, workshops, or the Foundation Pour, you'll receive a separate confirmation with those details.

- Safety precautions and guidelines [are available](#) (updated August 4). Should anything change, we will alert the membership and registered attendees as soon as possible.
- Staff and the hotel property are adhering to current state of Georgia requirements (08.15.2020) in place through September and following [CDC recommendations and checklists](#) regarding gatherings.

Download our APPS right now 😊

Download the [Hyatt app](#) to take advantage of mobile check-in and to go requests onsite [Pre-download the GSAE app](#), provided by Map Dynamics!

*On Monday, be on the look out for an app invite from us to create your log in and update your profile.

*Check out our app intro (attached) to take advantage of all the features, including pre-paying for the Pig Raffle and registering for the Silent Auction

You can also access everything through the web [here](#). *Note - schedule will be available online to access Monday with speaker descriptions and handouts, if applicable. Until then, please [click here](#) to download a Word version.

Host Property – all GSAE educational sessions, all the time

Hyatt Regency Savannah
2 W Bay St.
Savannah, GA 31401
(912) 238-1234

[Directions](#)

Take a look at [Hyatt's Know Before You Go!](#)

Check-In: 4pm; Check-Out: **11am** –*Please note that early check-in and late check-out will be extremely limited, as housekeeping requires additional time to clean rooms in-between guests.* We love safety first but apologize for any inconvenience. Thanks for being flexible this week.

- Cancellations must be made 72 hours prior to arrival to avoid cancellation fee
- Parking: on-site valet - \$24/day
- Self-parking available across the street, behind Ruth's Chris Steak, at the Whitaker Street Garage - \$16/overnight. In/out privileges do not apply.

Don't Forget to Bring Your Own.....

- **Preferred masks** – the safety pouch from [PMSI](#) and Marty Bear will have a couple of disposable masks, hand sanitizer, and some alcohol-based wipes. You will likely need extra masks because

Savannah is H-O-T this time of year. We have a mask mandate, the Hyatt Regency Savannah has a mask mandate, the City of Savannah has a mask mandate. Come prepared.

- **Business cards** – to hand out in between using one of the many, many foamy hand sanitizer stations throughout the hotel and meeting space. Or you can bookmark fellow attendees on the app for quick access to the contact information, if available.
- **Bug spray** – no-see-ums are for real.
- **Your own stuff** – it has been a long, long time since most of us have traveled. You may want to create your own packing list of clothes, medicines, toiletries, shoes, etc. *just to be sure you bring everything you need.*
- We will offer **attendee bags of swag** to reduce paper and touch points at the exhibit tables. The bag is from [Linda Minnick Consulting](#) and the 2020 Learning Journal is sponsored by [Discover Dekalb](#).

Get social!

[Tweet](#) about it #GSAEMeeting, #MyGSAE, #GSAEUpdate

Join the conversation on [Facebook](#)

Roster Attached – In case you still need Dine Around Thursday companions. Attendee info will also be available on the Meeting App, and we will continue to update it.

- We strongly, strongly encourage outdoor dining.
- [Show Your Badge Program](#) - show your GSAE name tag for special offers & discounts!
- [Download](#) a list of restaurant recommendations from our own Jen Thompson, Visit Savannah.

Speakers lead complicated lives. If available, handouts will be linked to the appropriate session in the app. Some handouts have not been uploaded yet and some will not be available until after the session. When/if we receive them, you will be able to access in the Meeting App and online after the event (pdf in two slide format).

Wednesday, August 26 Highlights

Conference check in opens at 12:15 pm in the River Lounge (Lobby Level) of The Hyatt Regency Savannah

- [Full Schedule](#)
- **Golf at The Club at Savannah Harbor** – Tee times begin at 8 am. Transportation on your own. 1 Resort Drive, Savannah, Georgia 31421, (912) 201-2000. Assignments are coming separately. Questions? Ask [Jennie](#).
- **Quarter Century Bike Ride** – meet outside the hotel lobby at 8:30 am. Bring 2 bottles of water. Separate confirmation is coming.
- **Tour the JW Marriott Savannah Plant Riverside District** – meet Seth Richardson in the hotel lobby at 11:00 am to walk over for a sneak peek at Savannah's newest hotel.
- **GSAE Foundation Pour** – Harborside (wrist band required, included in your name badge)
 - Confirmation and details will be sent separately via email.
 - 12:30 pm Tasting – A few spots remain – [contact Jennie](#) to register
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 - Thank you to the Beer Pour Sponsors: [Jekyll Island Authority](#), [Map Dynamics](#), [Athens CVB & their partners](#).

- **First Time Attendee Orientation** at 4:15 – let us guide you through what to expect this week and introduce you to some folks!
- **Reception & Dinner** – Wednesday, August 26, 6:30 pm at The Metal Building at Trustees' Gardens. Sponsored by 2020 Host City, [Visit Savannah](#) and their industry partners. (Short walk or catch a physically-distanced trolley beginning at 6:00 outside the hotel.) If you are running late, we'll have name tags onsite at the Metal Building.

Thursday & Friday, August 27-28 Highlights

- Coffee with the Exhibitors at 7:30 am each morning in the Regency Ballroom upstairs.
- Food stations are open each morning at 7:45 am in the Regency Ballroom upstairs. Thank you to our breakfast sponsors by [Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center](#) and [Jekyll Island Authority](#).
- General sessions and Taco Thursday lunch stations are in the Regency Ballroom as well.
- Plan your visits with [Exhibitors](#) in the Connections Lounge, Regency Ballroom. Check ins and drawing entries will be through the GSAE app.
- Meeting Sponsors will be placed around the River Lounge. Check out videos at [GSAEtv](#) and in our sponsor listings on the meeting app.
- Breakout sessions will occur in both the lobby and second floor of the hotel.

Attire

- Mostly business casual – whatever *you* feel comfortable wearing. The weather will be hotter than Hades, but the meeting rooms will be chilly and well-ventilated. Shorts and casual wear are perfectly appropriate for all events. Consider dressing in layers and be sure to bring a sweater or jacket for indoor/outdoor flexibility.
- Please note that Wisdom While You Walk and both touring opportunities will spend time outdoors. The trip to the Savannah Convention Center on Thursday is via ferry.
- Still have questions? [Check out photos from Greenville in 2019](#).

SPECIAL EVENTS

- **Silent Auction** - We are so grateful to our supporters. Please [check out their generous donations](#) to support our educational programming and plan to bid high and bid often!
 - Please bring us your items Wednesday afternoon at registration in the River Lounge if you did not ship them directly.
 - Touchless bidding this year! [Register](#) through the GSAE app before you arrive.
 - Big thanks to Tony Rissley and Expo Auctions
 - Due to the circumstances, the Silent Auction will also have certain consignment items to round out the selection this year.
- **Pay the Pig Raffle to benefit the United Way of the Coastal Empire, with a special donation for the Humane Society of Greater Savannah** - \$5 per ticket. Thanks to our fabulous sponsors, we will raffle off a grand prize of [Disney passes](#) **and** a travel gift card on Friday morning at 9:45 am. See the Pay the Pig Team at general sessions and during the evening events for instructions on how to purchase tickets. **Online only through [the app](#) this year.**

[Map Dynamics](#)

Disney Park Hopper Passes

[Explore Charleston](#)

Travel Gift Card

CAE Points

You may earn up to 11 hours toward obtaining the CAE designation or re-certification by attending the 2020 GSAE Annual Meeting (including a 2-hour pre-con workshop on Wednesday, August 26). Legalese may be found online. If you need a CE certificate for another designation, please let staff know after the meeting.

Lots of thanks to our host property: [Hyatt Regency Savannah](#)

Huge thank you to our host city as well: [Visit Savannah](#)

See you soon!
Wendy & Jennie

Acknowledgement of Enhanced Safety and Health Measures

Registration and attendance at, or participation in, GSAE's in person events constitutes an agreement by the registrant to abide by GSAE's and the host property's efforts to comply with current CDC recommendations (and all state of Georgia requirements) and to engage in certain health-and-safety-beneficial conduct while attending the event as requested by GSAE (wearing a mask, engaging in appropriate physical distancing, not attending the event if feeling sick or showing certain symptoms). *Thanks to GSAE speaker and attorney Jeff Tenenbaum, Esq. who shared a [helpful article](#) regarding attendee waivers.*

Updated Cancellation Policy

The deadline for attendee cancellations was really August 14, 2020. Full refunds due to illness will be provided with written notice. Replacement registrants are always welcome. Simply send an e-mail to Jennie@gxae.org with the name of your replacement. If you do not attend the conference and do not cancel your registration or submit a replacement, you will be billed after the meeting. You may view your open invoice at any time by logging into your [member profile](#) (hover over "Member Profile" and click on "Invoices").

Consent for Use of Photographic Images

Registration and attendance at, or participation in, GSAE meetings and other activities constitutes an agreement by the registrant to GSAE's use and distribution (now and in the future) of the registrant or attendee's image or voice in photographs, videotapes, electronic reproductions and audiotapes of such events and activities.

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