



**ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE SOUTHEASTERN SOCIETY OF PARASITOLOGISTS
BELLE BARUCH MARINE LAB
GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA
APRIL 6-8, 2017**

The 2017 Annual Meeting will be hosted by Dr. Dennis E. Kyle, Director of the Center for Tropical and Emerging Global Diseases at the University of Georgia. He will be assisted by Drs. Isaure De Buron and Vincent Connors from the College of Charleston and the University of South Carolina – Upstate, respectively. The meeting will be held at the Kimbel Living and Learning Center of the Belle Baruch Marine Field Laboratory at Hobcaw Barony near Georgetown, South Carolina (directions provided in separate attachment). The relatively undisturbed 16,000-acre Hobcaw Barony is a remarkable location for research in forestry and marine biology; the site is the legacy of Belle W. Baruch and the Baruch Foundation. For more information see <http://www.baruch.sc.edu/welcome>.

REGISTRATION

Pre-registration for the meeting is \$65 for non-student members, \$45 for student members, and \$40 for spouses/significant others if submitted by March 15, 2017. After that time, registration will be \$85, \$65 and \$60, respectively. You may become a member of the SSP (or renew your membership) at the time of Registration. The SSP membership fee is \$10 (\$5 for students). Registration may be completed online (<http://www.thessp.org>) with payment through PayPal or by mail with check or money order (see attached form). Late registration will be accepted at the meeting site.

Your registration fee covers a portion of the costs of the conference center facilities and expenditures for food and beverages provided during the meeting. The meeting will be sponsored in part by the Center for Tropical and Emerging Global Diseases at the University of Georgia and the University of South Carolina – Upstate.

If you pre-register but cannot attend the meeting you will be refunded your entire registration fee if we receive notice by March 17, 2017. Meeting materials will be available online at www.thessp.org or via email; no printed material will be provided at the meeting site.

The meeting will begin on Thursday evening (April 6th) in the Kimbel Conference Center. Following a new tradition, the first evening will be a social mixer with light snacks and drinks. The Presidential Symposium will be held on Friday evening (April 7th) and hosted by Dr. Reg Blaylock. The meeting will end on Saturday April 8 with the annual Business Meeting.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Kimbel Center Lodging

Limited lodging is available in very comfortable accommodations at the Kimbel Center. Each of the housing units is air-conditioned with full kitchens and baths; internet access is available through a local wireless network. Children are not allowed to stay in Kimbel Center lodging and there are no handicap accessible rooms. Also note alcohol is not allowed in the cottages or dorms, but it is allowed in the Conference Center!

Given the limited availability of this low cost lodging option, first priority will be given to **students**. The following options are available on a first-come first-serve basis by sending your requests to ssp2017meeting@gmail.com by March 1st!

Cottages: Each cottage has 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms and sleeps a total of 7. **One cottage will be for female students and the other for male students.** Non-students may request to be put on a waiting list for any availability after March 1st.

\$15/night/student

\$20/night/non-student

Dorm A: The dorm sleeps 16. There are 4 bedrooms total, 2 on each floor, and each room has two bunkbeds. There is a bathroom on each floor. The top floor will be for female students and the bottom floor for male students. Non-students may request to be put on a waiting list for any availability after March 1st.

\$12/night/student

\$17/night/nonstudent

Bedding: The beds have a quilt and pillow. Each guest should bring a sleeping bag or blankets and sheets (all beds are twin size). Note that the beds are the same in the cottages and dorms. No linens or towels are provided.

Off Site Lodging

The following hotels are located less than 2 miles away in nearby Georgetown, SC and offer a variety of lodging options. Baymont Inn & Suites currently is the least expensive (~\$75/night/double occupancy room).

Baymont Inn & Suites Georgetown/Near Georgetown Marina

120 Church St, Georgetown, SC 29440-2402 (Formerly Jameson Inn Georgetown)

Phone: (843) 546-6090

<https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/baymont/georgetown-south-carolina/baymont-inn-georgetown-georgetown-marina/overview>

Quality Inn: 210 Church Street, Georgetown, SC, 29440, US

Phone: (843) 546-5656 Fax: (843) 546-6116

<https://www.choicehotels.com/south-carolina/georgetown/quality-inn-hotels/sc302>

Hampton Inn: 420 Marina Drive, Georgetown, South Carolina, 29440

TEL: +1-843-545-5000 FAX: +1-843-545-5099

<http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/south-carolina/hampton-inn-georgetown-marina-GTNSCHX/index.html>

FOOD

Registration fees cover the Thursday night SSP Social with *hors d'oeuvres* and beverages, morning and afternoon coffee breaks with pastries and beverages, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Friday, and breakfast and light lunch on Saturday.

PRESENTATION FACILITIES

All presentations will be held at the Kimbel Lodge Conference Center. Costs associated with the use of the Conference Center facilities are graciously covered by USC-Upstate.

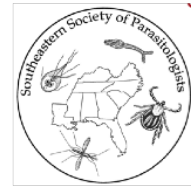
ACTIONS REQUIRED BY MARCH 15

1. Reserve accommodations at the Kimbel Center by March 15. Please note reservations will be accepted on **first-come first serve-basis and students have first priority**. Submit your request with number of students, non-students, and/or guests to SSP2017meeting@gmail.com and confirmation will be returned within 24 hr for students and by March 2nd for non-students.
2. Complete the on-line registration by March 15, 2017. Registration forms are also provided at this end of this document and can be sent with payment to Dr. Renee' Carleton at the address provided on the form.
3. Submit an Abstract (see accompanying files).

Any questions regarding local arrangements can be directed to Dennis Kyle (ssp2017meeting@gmail.com). Questions regarding Abstracts and the Scientific Program can be directed to Reg Blaylock (reg.blaylock@usm.edu).

Forms for abstract submission and information on student awards accompany this announcement.

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2017 ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FORM



Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

Institution _____

I wish to join or renew my membership to the SSP _____(Y/N)

Membership Fee (Members \$10 / Student Members \$5) \$ _____

Pre-Registration Fee*- On or before March 15, 2017
(\$65 for members / \$45 for student members/ \$40 for guest) \$ _____

Late Registration Fee – After March 15, 2017
(\$85 for members / \$65 for student members/ \$60 for guest) \$ _____
Late registration will be available at the meeting site.

Total (Paid on line or by mail) \$ _____

Please indicate if you are vegetarian _____(Y/N)

Please indicate if you are allergic to seafood _____(Y/N)

*If you pre-register but cannot attend the meeting you will be refunded the registration fee if we receive notice by March 17, 2017.

Send completed registration form and check or money order for the total amount payable to Southeastern Society of Parasitologists to:

SSP Registration
c/o Dr. Renee' Carleton
PO Box 225
Taylorsville, GA 30178