

11th Southern Regional Dairy Challenge

Hosted by University of Georgia

Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club, Cordele, Georgia

Sunday, November 13 – Tuesday November 15, 2016

On behalf of the Southern Regional Committee of the North American Intercollegiate Dairy Challenge, it is our privilege to invite you to participate in the 11th Annual Southern Regional Dairy Challenge. The event will be held at Lake Blackshear Resort in Cordele, Georgia on November 13-15 and hosted by University of Georgia.

SPONSOR PARTICIPATION: We are building our list of volunteers to help with the event on Monday and Tuesday. Being involved and working directly with the students gives you a first-hand view of the students in action, plus a large volunteer pool helps the contest run smoothly.

SCHEDULE: A listing of the scheduled events for this year's contest is posted on the Southern Dairy Challenge web page at http://www.dairychallenge.org/so_event.php

SPONSOR VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION: Please submit information for each volunteer from your company using the online form at http://2016southern volunteerregistration.eventbrite.com Registration is due **Monday, October 31, 2016.**

HOTEL: This year's event is being held at Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club in Cordele, Georgia. All participants will be staying at Lake Blackshear. The block of rooms is held under Southern Regional Dairy Challenge and under the group code 251706 at a nightly rate of \$89. Deadline to book rooms in this block: **October 21, 2016**. Please call the hotel by October 21 at PH: (800) 459-1230 to request a room using the group code to receive our rate.

Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club 2459-H US Highway 280 West Cordele, GA 31015

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MEALS: Meal tickets will be provided to sponsor volunteers based on sponsorship: Platinum sponsor companies receive 4 meal tickets for the duration of the contest, Gold sponsor companies receive 3, Silver receive 2 and Bronze receive 1. If you have additional meal ticket needs, you can purchase them separately by calling NAIDC at 608-224-0400. We appreciate your help with this!

SPONSOR DISPLAYS: On Tuesday morning you are invited to set up a table top display in our Career & Innovation Fair at Lake Blackshear Resort. Displays will be open between 8:00 AM and 2:15 PM. Indicate your desire to reserve a table using the <u>online registration form</u>. There is no charge for tables. You will be provided with a six-foot table (if needed). Electricity will be available, but you will need to supply your own electrical cords. All sponsors are encouraged to interact with students and university coaches, and view student presentations on Tuesday. But remember because of the number of teams, presentations will be going on simultaneously.

If you have questions about volunteering your company's time at the event, please communicate with volunteer coordinator Stephanie Ward, (919) 602-1100, shward@ncsu.edu

We kindly ask each volunteer from your company register using this form. Forms are due Monday, October 31, 2016 to http://2016southern_volunteerregistration.eventbrite.com