



# Georgia Crop Improvement Association

DATE: March 28, 2017

TO: Certified Peanut Seed Growers, Conditioners, and Buying Point Representatives

From: Billy Skaggs, Seed Certification Program Manager

SUBJECT: 56<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PEANUT SEED SHORT COURSE

The Georgia Crop Improvement Association invites you to attend the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Peanut Seed Short Course on Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at the UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center. Registration will begin at 8:30 am.

We encourage you to attend this meeting as we strive to continue improving our overall peanut program. We have a great lineup of speakers planned including Tyron Spearman, NPBPA; Dr. Marshall Lamb, National Peanut Research Lab; Dr. Scott Monfort, Extension Peanut Specialist; and Dr. Bob Kemerait, Extension Plant Pathologist. Refreshments will be provided at registration, and the meeting will adjourn at 12:30 pm (lunch will not be served).

For the first time in several years, GCIA staff will host a concurrent session from 10am to 11:30am in conjunction with the short course. While not required, this session will be good for any new employees as well as a refresher for existing employees. In this session, we will review the application process, seed tags (including tag requests and onsite tag printing), and lab reporting requirements. Please be sure to preregister for those who wish to attend so that we may plan accordingly.

**GCIA APPROVED PLANT REPRESENTATIVES AND PEANUT BUYING POINT REPRESENTATIVES ARE REMINDED THAT THEY MUST ATTEND A SEED SHORT COURSE ONCE EVERY TWO YEARS FOR THE CONDITIONING PLANT OR BUYING POINT TO REMAIN ON THE APPROVED LIST.**

*If you are unsure if you are required to attend this year, contact Joy at the GCIA office at 706-542-2351. RSVP via email to [joy.mccracken@georgiacrop.com](mailto:joy.mccracken@georgiacrop.com) or FAX to 706-542-9397 by Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>.*

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