The historic Georgia Coastal Plain Experiment Station (now known as the University of Georgia Tifton Campus) was authorized by the Georgia General Assembly in August, 1918, and Tifton was selected as the location for the station in May, 1919. Today marks the beginning of our Centennial Celebration which will continue in the coming months until we celebrate the establishment of the station in Tifton on May 3, 2019.

During nearly 100 years of service to agriculture, the men and women of the station have been leaders in agricultural innovation. Their work strives to ensure the sustainability and profitability of agriculture in Georgia and to improve the production of food and fiber to feed and clothe a growing and hungry world. Beginning today we celebrate the visionaries who established the Georgia Coastal Plain Experiment Station, the leaders who have been instrumental to its success, and to those scientists and staff today who will soon begin our second century of service to agriculture.
CENTENNIAL KICK-OFF CEREMONY
TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2018
4:00 P.M.

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Reception immediately following ceremony