



## Newsletter - July 2002

### Welcome New Members

**Melvin DeShazor, Jr.**, Metter  
**David Ferrell**, Waycross  
**Louis Justice**, Watkinsville  
**Jim Napier**, Sylvester

### Southern Conservation Tillage Conference

The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern Conservation Tillage Conference for Sustainable Agriculture was held in Auburn, AL from June 24-26, 2002. It was a great conference and was well attended.

The Conference Committee, led by **Dr. Wayne Reeves**, **Dr. Randy Raper**, and **Kirk Iversen**, did an outstanding job. Several GCTA members participated. **Lamar Black**, GCTA President, spoke on the "*Past, Present, and Future of Conservation Tillage: U. S. A. Farmer Perspective*".



Dr. Wayne Reeves and his grandson at one of the field day tour stops.

The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference will be hosted by **Texas A&M University**, **June 16-18, 2003**.

### Proceedings on CD



A valuable thing done this year for the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern Conservation Tillage Conference was the placing of the proceedings of all of the 25 annual conferences on CD-ROM. We appreciate all who made this possible.

A few copies of the CD are available. If you want a copy of the CD, contact James E. Dean @ 706-546-2090 or [james.dean@ga.usda.gov](mailto:james.dean@ga.usda.gov).

### Wayne Reeves is Transferring to Georgia

**Dr. Wayne Reeves**, USDA-ARS Research Agronomist at the National Soil Dynamics Laboratory in Auburn, AL will be moving to Georgia in September. Dr. Reeves will become the Research Leader at the J. Phil Campbell, Sr. Natural Resource Conservation Research Center in Watkinsville.

The Center, formerly called the Southern Piedmont Conservation Research Center, serves the Southern Piedmont Major Land Resource Area. The Southern Piedmont includes part of Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Virginia and has a long

history of valuable soil and water conservation research. The P1 Watershed is located there.

Dr. Reeves has helped GCTA many times. We look forward to his move to Georgia.

## Lamar Black Family Honored

The **Lamar Black Family** of Millen was recently honored as the "Farm Family of the Year" in Jenkins County. The Jenkins County Agriculture Association presented the award. Congratulations!

## List Serve for Conservation Tillage Forum

GCTA has established a list server to provide a timely forum for discussion of issues and topics among GCTA members and others. **John Ruberson** is leading this effort.

To subscribe to the list, send an email to: [listserv@tifon.cpes.peachnet.edu](mailto:listserv@tifon.cpes.peachnet.edu). In the body of the message type (without the quotation marks): "subscribe ga-contill [your name]".

Similarly, to unsubscribe, send an email to the same address, but with a message "unsubscribe ga-contill", again without the quotation marks.

## GCTA Membership Dues

Most members have paid their GCTA membership dues for 2002. If you have not paid your dues, send your check to **Max Carter**, GCTA Treasurer, 1671

Warren Carter Road, Douglas, GA, 31533. Please include any changes in your mailing address.

## Calendar of Events

**International Soil and Water Conservation Society, Annual Meeting.** July 13-17, 2002, Indianapolis, IN. [swcs.org](http://swcs.org)

**No Till Meeting.** Hawkinsville, GA, August 15, 2002. Call Ron Barentine @ 478-783-1171.

**CSRA Conservation Tillage Field Day.** Waynesboro, GA, August 29, 2002. Tours, demonstrations, and an evening meal will be held. Registration starts at 3:00 PM. Call Richard McDaniel @ 706-554-2119.

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## Conservation Tillage Alliances in Georgia

**Georgia Conservation Tillage Alliance, Inc.** [gcta-ga.org](http://gcta-ga.org). Est. 1993.

**Coffee County Conservation Tillage Alliance, Inc.** (Douglas) [cccta.net](http://cccta.net). Est. 1994.

**East Central Georgia Conservation Tillage Alliance.** (Millen) Est. 1998.

**Mid State Conservation Tillage Alliance.** (Perry) Est. 2000.

**Southeast Georgia Conservation Tillage Alliance.** (Metter) Est. 2001.

**Worth County Conservation Tillage Alliance.** (Sylvester) Est. 2001.

## GCTA Board Members for 2002

David Batchelor, Douglas	Stan Hillis, Girard
Lamar Black, Millen	Scott Moore, Elko
Max Carter, Douglas	Brian Ponder, Omega
Glen Harris, Tifton	Steve Spooner, Sylvester
Richard McDaniel, Waynesboro	