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*Alabama Vector  
Management Society*

*30th  
Annual Meeting*

*March 7-8, 2019*

*The Hampton Inn & Suites*

*Orange Beach, Alabama*

## Thursday, March 7th

9:30 —11:30 am

**Registration & Exhibitor Setup**

12:00 pm

**Poster Presentations**

12:45 pm

**Welcome and Call to Order**

Ty Jackson, President-Elect  
Kelly Stevens, President

### Session 1

Moderator: Wes Anderson AVMS Director

1:00 pm

**Mosquito Surveillance in Alabama, and the  
Quest for *Aedes aegypti***  
Dr. Sarah Zohdy, Auburn University

2:00 pm

**Collapse of Bee Colonies—Identifying Causes,  
Is Mosquito Control to Blame?**  
Dr. William Rowe, Auburn Extension Service

2:45 pm

**Industry Updates**

3:00 pm

**Refreshment Break**

### Session 2

Moderator: Kelly Palmer, AVMS Director

3:30 pm

**Delusory Parasitosis—How Do We Prove a Negative**  
Dr. Nancy Hinkle, University of Georgia

4:15 pm

**Wildlife Issues—Vultures in Alabama**  
Leif Stephens, USDA-APHIS Wildlife Services

5:00 pm

**Preliminary Business Meeting**

6:30 pm

**Dinner Banquet — The Hampton Inn & Suites**

## Friday, March 8th

### Session 3

Moderator: Cheryl Clay, AVMS Director

8:30 am

**Pesticide Applicators— Regulations & Certification**  
Vernon Wiggins, AL Dept. of Agriculture & Industries

9:15 am

**Pests of Public Health Importance in Alabama**  
Stephen Gates, Cooks Pest Control

10:00 am

**Industry Updates**

10:15 am

**Refreshment Break**

### Session 4

Moderator: Barry Ambrose AVMS Director

10:45 am

**A Preliminary Survey of the Presence and  
Prevalence of Ticks and Their Associated  
Pathogens Tick in Alabama**  
Dr. Jonathan Rayner, University of South Alabama

11:30 am

**Bed Bugs in Private Homes and Apartments**  
John Paige, Bayer Environmental Science

12:15 pm

**Final Business Meeting**

1:00 pm

**New Board of Directors Meeting**