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## Media invited to Hartwell 50th Anniversary Ceremony April 27

**SAVANNAH, Ga.** – The [U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Savannah District](#) invites members of the news media to attend a private ceremony on Friday, April 27 in honor of the 50th anniversary of [Hartwell Dam and Lake](#).

The ceremony will be held at the Hartwell Dam and Power Plant, located at 6961 Anderson Hwy (Hwy 29) in Hartwell, Ga. Media representatives may park at the dam; officials will be present to direct traffic.

The ceremony begins at 1 p.m., followed by a cake-cutting ceremony and tours of the dam. An abbreviated, guided dam tour for media will be held promptly after the ceremony. Media are encouraged to RSVP in advance by contacting Tracy Robillard at [Tracy.K.Robillard@usace.army.mil](mailto:Tracy.K.Robillard@usace.army.mil) or calling 912-652-5450.

The invitee-only event includes community members, stakeholders, government officials, and Corps employees and retirees. Guest speakers include representatives from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Lake Hartwell Marketing Alliance, Lake Hartwell Association, the Southeastern Power Administration, and more. The ceremony will also recognize former workers and contractors who were involved with the construction or pre-construction of the dam. Historical photos and memorabilia will be on display to commemorate 50 years of “Monument to Progress”—the theme for the 50th Anniversary.

A public celebration called the “Golden Damiversary Party” will follow on Saturday, April 28 at Big Oaks Recreation Area starting at 4:30 p.m. sponsored by the Lake Hartwell Marketing Alliance. This event is open to the public and will feature activities such as a “Parade of the Trades” highlighting heavy equipment and working trades that built the dam, a “People Parade of Lights,” tethered hot air balloon rides, music, children’s activities, food and beverage concessions, and sale of 50th Anniversary merchandise. Media interested in covering the public event should contact LHMA Director Larry Torrence at 706-436-0166.

For news, photos and events throughout the Hartwell 50th Anniversary year, visit [www.sas.usace.army.mil/50](http://www.sas.usace.army.mil/50)

