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Form **990-EZ**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Short Form**
Return of Organization Exempt From Income TaxUnder section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No 1545-1150

2009**Open to Public Inspection****A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning , and ending****B Check if applicable**

- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Termination
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization**SOUTHEASTERN PECAN GROWERS ASSN**
C/O WILL EASTERLIN, SEC - TRESNumber and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address)
P. O. BOX 216

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

MONTEZUMA**GA 31063****D Employer identification number****20-8175643****E Telephone number**
478-472-7731**F Group Exemption Number** ▶

• **Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).**

G Accounting method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶ **N/A****J Tax-exempt status** (check only one) — ☒ 501(c) (**5**) ◀ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**H Check** ☒ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

K Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ **\$ 59,781****Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)**

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	13,925
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	45,488
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4	Investment income	4	368
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	5b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here ☐	6	
	6a	Gross revenue (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
	6b	Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	
6c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c		
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
7b	Less cost of goods sold	7b		
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8	Other revenue (describe ▶)	8		
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	59,781	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	13,375
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	8,573
	16	Other expenses (describe ▶ SEE STATEMENT)	16	49,287
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	71,235
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-11,454
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	70,052
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	58,598

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

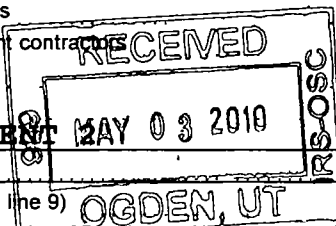
(See the instructions for Part II.)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	70,052	58,598
23 Land and buildings		
24 Other assets (describe ▶)		
25 Total assets	70,052	58,598
26 Total liabilities (describe ▶)	0	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	70,052	58,598

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions for Part III)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

SEE STATEMENT 3

Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, or other relevant information for each program title.

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts; optional for others.)**28** CONVENTION HELD LAST WEEK-END IN FEBRUARY. SOCIAL ,
EDUCATIONAL, EXHIBIT, GOLF TOURNAMENT, BANQUET, LADIES
PROGRAM, ANNUAL MEETING.

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

28a**29** PRINTING OF PUBLICATION "THE PROCEEDINGS" FOR MEMBERS AND
OTHERS. INCLUDED ARE ALL TECHNICAL AND RESEARCH PAPERS
PRESENTED AT THE EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

29a**30**

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

30a**31** Other program services (attach schedule)

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

31a**32** Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)**32****Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated (See the instructions for Part IV)**

(a) Name and address		(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
PETER BUYCK	SAINT MATTHEWS SC	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
BEN LITTLEPAGE	COLFAX 12219 HIGHWAY 8 LA 71417	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
BILL BUNN	BAILEY P O BOX 435 NC 27807	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
MICHAEL HORN	AMERICUS GA 31709	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
MILEY ADAMS	CAMILLA 6106 OLD HWY GA 3 GA 31730	VICE PRES	0	0	0
JOE BUZHARDT	BOLTON 1385 NARROW GAUGE ROAD MS 39041	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
LEN R. DINKLER	GAINESVILLE 1536 NW 7TH AVENUE FL 32603	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
GLENN PASCHAL	ALBANY P O BOX 913 (B) GA	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
RODGER COOK	SILVERHILLS AL	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
LAMAR JENKINS	ALLIGATOR 195 JENKINS ROAD MS 38720	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
MONTE NESBITT	FAIRHOPE 8099 WOODMEN AL	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
BUCK PAULK	RAY CITY P O BOX 306 GA 31645	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
JOHN ROBISON	AILEY 451 GA HWY 56 GA 30410	DIRECTOR	0	0	0
GARY UNDERWOOD	FOLEY 21919 U.S. HWY 98 AL 36535	PRESIDENT	0	0	0
WILL EASTERLIN	MONTEZUMA P O BOX 7 GA 31063	SEC -TRES	0	0	0
CLARENCE BISHOP	FAIRHOPE AL	DIRECTOR	0	0	0

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34 Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attached a conformed copy of the changes		X
35 If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T		
a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instr 37a		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?		X
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b		
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a		
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b		
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 40a , section 4912 40a , section 4955 40a		
b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I 40b		
c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 40c		
d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization 40d		
e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T 40e		X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed GA		
42a The organization's books are in care of WILL EASTERLIN Telephone no 478-472-7731 P O BOX 216 Located at MONTEZUMA, GA ZIP + 4 31063		
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country 42b See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		X
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S ? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country 42c		X
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041—Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year 43		
44 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44		X
45 Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 45		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

	Yes	No
46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	46	
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	
48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

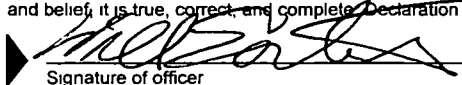
(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶

Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.						
	 Signature of officer WILL EASTERLIN Type or print name and title		Date 4/28/10 SECRETARY-TREASURER				
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature	 WILLIAM H. SHEPPARD	Date	04/22/10	Check if self-employed ☐	Preparer's Identifying Number (See instr.)	P00426869
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4	CHAMBLISS, SHEPPARD, ROLAND & BAXTER, LLP PO BOX 1224 AMERICUS, GA 31709-1224		EIN	58-1247517		
				Phone no	229-924-4456		

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ▶ ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Federal Statements

FYE: 12/31/2009

Statement 1 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 3 - Membership Dues and Assessments

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$
TOTAL	\$ 0

Statement 2 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
CONVENTION	\$
SUPPLIES	277
BANQUET	10,101
BREAKFASTS	668
COFFEE BREAKS	1,286
ENTERTAINMENT	1,350
HOSPITALITY HOUR	1,982
WELCOME RECEPTION	11,038
GOLF TOURNAMENT	3,003
MISC	400
PROGRAM EQUIPMENT	771
EXHIBITOR EXPENSES	551
EXPENSES	
NPSA MARKETING PROGRAM	5,000
TRAVEL	667
CORPORATE FILING	30
SUBSCRIPTIONS	3,564
GEORGIA GROWERS ASSOC.	2,500
PECAN MARKETING/RESEARCH	5,000
DUES	350
BANK CHARGES	161
SUPPLIES	108
MISCELLANEOUS	480
TOTAL	\$ 49,287

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Statement 3 - Form 990-EZ, Part III - Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose

Description

PROVIDE EDUCATION TO ENABLE GROWERS TO PRODUCE BIGGER AND
BETTER PECAN CROPS IN AN EFFICIENT AND COST EFFECTIVE
MANNER.