VanExel speaks at federation meeting

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Jasmine VanExel, of Griffin, recently greeted members of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund and spoke about her educational background at the group's annual meeting in Albany.

The federation is an organization that has successfully provided self-help economic opportunities and hope for small farmers and low-income families across the South. The group has also assisted in the development of cooperatives and credit unions as a means for low-income citizens to increase income and enhance their quality of life and communities for 45 years.

VanExel is a graduate student at the University of Georgia. She graduated from Paine College with a degree in mathematics and is now working toward her master's degree in atmospheric physics. Her current research is entitled: "Wavelet Analysis of Turbulence and Gravity Waves Above the Forest Canopy." Her supporting research professor is Dr. Monique LeClerc, Regents Professor in the Crop and Soil Sciences department at UGA-Griffin.

VanExel is a Spalding High School graduate and is the daughter of Janice McGhee and Nickey VanExel, both of Griffin.