

2017 TFA Annual Convention Agenda

**Theme: Grow Knowledge, Grow Economy, Grow Trees
October 25-27, 2017 (Wednesday-Friday)**

Downtown Doubletree Hotel, Memphis

Room Rate: \$113.00 + \$25.00 valet parking

Please note: Speakers, time & dates are subject to change. Speakers BIO will be posted on TFA's website on a future date.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

9-11AM PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

Jimmie Locklear, Forestry Mutual:
Trucking & Transportation Safety in TN
Gary Moore, Foothills Land Conservancy:
Forestland Forever Through A Land Conservancy
Dr. David Dye, Univ. of Memphis:
Indigenous People in West TN: Impact on TN's Forests

10 a.m. TFA Registration Desk Opens

10AM-3PM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

10:00 a.m. TFASWCG Trustees Meeting
11:30 a.m. Tree Farm Committee Meeting/Lunch
1:00 p.m. SFI Committee Meeting
1-4 p.m. Exhibit Set-Up
1:30 p.m. TFASWCG Annual Meeting
3:00 p.m. TFA Board of Directors Meeting

4PM-9:15PM WEDNESDAY EVENTS

4:00 p.m. It's 5 o'clock Somewhere Rcpt
6:15 p.m. Load Buses to
7:00 p.m. Riverboat Cruise & BBQ Dinner
9:00 p.m. Evening On Your Own
9:15 p.m. Hospitality Suite Opens

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

**7 a.m. TFA Registration Desk Opens
Biscuits, Coffee & Juice Available/Exhibit Area**

8-10:45AM GENERAL SESSION BEGINS

8:00 a.m. Tom Skaggs, TFA President:
Welcome Announcements & Anti-Trust Statement
8:15 a.m. Dr. Allan Houston, Director of Forest & Wildlife Mgmt. & Research at Ames Plantation: State of our Forests & Wildlife in TN/History of Rail & Water Transportation in TN/Look at the Future

8:50 a.m. Chris Isaacson, AL Forestry Assn. Director:
Work Force Dev. & Job Growth in Forest Products Industry

9:20 a.m. Break

9:45 a.m. Dr. Michael Buschermohle, UT: Drone Technology: What Works for Industry & Landowners

10:15 a.m. Dr. Adam Taylor, UT Extension:
State of Forest Industry in Tennessee

10:45a.m. Tom Skaggs, TFA President:
Closing Announcements & Conclusion of General Session

11AM-3:30PM THURSDAY'S AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

11:15 a.m. **Golf Tournament/Lunch**

NOON Shotgun Tee OFF

11:30 a.m. **Pesticide/Herbicide CE Training - (tentative)**

11:30 a.m. Load Vans for Lunch/Tour of **LeBonheur Children's Hospital**

11:30 a.m. Load Vans for **Graceland Tour/Lunch**

11:30 a.m. Load Vans for **Memphis Zoo/Lunch**

3:30 a.m. Meet in Lobby to walk to **Gibson Guitar for Tour**

**2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Silent Auction Set-Up
Tree Farm Committee Members**

4PM-9:30PM THURSDAY'S EVENING EVENTS

5:30 p.m. Tree Farm Silent Auction & Reception

7:00 p.m. Awards Buffet Dinner at Hotel
Memorials & Remembrances

9:00 p.m. Evening On Your Own

9:30 p.m. Hospitality Suite Opens

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

7 a.m. Exhibit Tear-Down/Coffee Available

8-10AM BREAKFAST & PROGRAM AT HOTEL

8:00 a.m. Breakfast at Hotel

8:40 a.m. Chip Murray, NAFO Vice-President of Policy & General Council:
Perspective on New DC Administration

9:10 a.m. Le Bonheur Children's Hospital:
Log a Load Update

9:30 a.m. Winners Announced for Give-Away

9:40 a.m. **Nominating Committee report**
Membership Vote
New President's Comments

10:00 a.m. **Adjourn Conference
New President**