



**Texas Agricultural
Lifetime Leadership Program**

**Class XIII
Session 5
Houston/Gulf Coast
July 23 - 26, 2013**

“Energy, Ecology, Environment”



Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership
TALL XIII - Session 5 – Houston/Gulf Coast
“Energy/Ecology/Environment”
July 23-26, 2013

Lodging - Check-in: Tuesday, July 23 | Check-out: Wednesday, July 24
The Woodlands Resort & Conference Center | <http://www.woodlandsresort.com>
2301 N Millbend Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77380 | Phone: 855-505-3159

Lodging - Check-in: Wednesday, July 24 | Check-out: Friday, July 26
Crowne Plaza Hotel | <http://www.cphoustonhotel.com>
8686 Kirby Dr., Houston, TX 77054 | Phone: 713-748-3221

TUESDAY - July 23, 2013

Presiders: Mark Slavens & Matt Tyler
Attire: Business Casual
Transportation..... Personal Vehicle

Location: Meet at Scott’s Miracle-Gro Company, Southwest Region
Address: 1330 Lake Robbins Dr., The Woodlands, TX 77380 | 832/458-3031
Parking: Parking garage attached to the building or an open parking lot at the Landry’s restaurant.
Suite: Meet in Suite 430

- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch..... Hosted by Miracle-Gro Company**
- 1:30 p.m. **Scotts Miracle-Gro Company introduction..... Michael Sutterer**
 VP of Regional Marketing for North and Latin America
- 2:00 p.m. **Scotts Sustainability/Regulatory Issues Facing Our Company and Industry..... Michael Shelton**
 Manager of Government Affairs/Outreach/Sustainability
- 2:30 p.m. **Texas Water Smart Public-Private Partnership**
 **Stephanie Pizzoferrato**
 Manager of Government Affairs
- 3:00 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 p.m. **Consumer Insights & Research and Development in Lawn and Garden**
 **Jason Nichol**
 VP of Sales – Texas, Mountains and Desert

TUESDAY - July 23, 2013 continued:

- 3:45 p.m. **TNLA/Green Industry Overview in Texas** **Mark Harris**
Owner of Harris Landscaping
- 4:15 p.m. Q&A
- 4:45 p.m. Depart for **The Woodlands Resort & Conference Center** OR the
Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course in personal vehicles.

Reception Location:..... The Woodlands Country Club Tournament Course
1730 South Millbend, The Woodlands, TX 77380 | (281) 863-1400

Presiding Jim Mazurkiewicz
Attire: Business Casual

- 6:30 p.m. **“Urban Agriculture Night” Social and Hors d’Oeuvres**
- 7:00 p.m. **Opening Remarks and Welcome**..... **Jim Tates**
President, U.S. West Region and Latin America
Scotts Miracle-Gro

“The Importance of addressing issues of the state during legislative session ie. Funding the state water plan”
.....**The Honorable Tommy Williams**
Chairman of the Finance Committee, Texas State Senator, District 4

“Texas Demographics and the Impact on the Industry and Infrastructure”..... **Lloyd Potter, Ph.D., M.P.H,**
Texas State Demographer

Urban Community Agriculture Industry Presentations:

Landscape..... **Mark Harris**
Past Chair of Texas Nursery & Landscape Association
Owner of Harris Landscaping

Turf.....**David Baltensperger, Ph.D.**
Professor and Department Head, Soil & Crop Sciences
Texas A&M University

“Today's Lawn and Garden Industry in Texas”.....**Michael Sutterer**
Vice President, Regional Marketing for U.S. and Latin America
The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company

TUESDAY - July 23, 2013 continued:

“Issues Facing the Urban Community Agriculture Industry in Texas”
.....**The Honorable Todd Staples**
Texas Agriculture Commissioner

Introduction of TALL XIII.....Jim Mazurkiewicz
Leadership Program Director
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Closing Remarks:..... Jim Tates

Signature Sponsor: 

9:00 p.m. Depart for **The Woodlands Resort & Conference Center**
2301 N Millbend Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77380

WEDNESDAY - July 24, 2013

Presiding:.....Sally Oglesby Harris & Heath Hill
Attire:Business Casual
Transportation:Personal Vehicles Charter Bus
Bus Dispatch Number.....800-359-5991, prompt 4
Breakfast:..... On your own

NOTE: Check out of hotel!

6:00 a.m. **Group departs The Woodlands Resort & Conference Center in personal vehicles and travels to the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8686 Kirby Dr., Houston, TX 77054I to leave vehicles.**

7:00 a.m. Depart Crowne Plaza Hotel via bus to **Glueck’s Nursery**
1098 Tree Farm Rd, Alleyton, TX 78933
NOTE: Someone will meet the bus at the entrance

8:30 a.m. **Glueck’s Nursery - Operation and Management Overview**
..... **Chris Glueck**
Charles and Mickey Glueck - Owners
Family members involved in operation:
Jeff Glueck, Doug Glueck, Danette Cantu, Jacey Nawara

WEDNESDAY - July 24, 2013 continued:

NOTE: Chris Glueck will accompany group on the bus

10:00 a.m. Depart for Ricetec
3055 FM 3013, Eagle Lake, TX 77434

10:30 a.m. **RiceTec Inc.- Hybrid Seed Rice
Cleaning & Processing Facility..... Chris Glueck**
Production Representative | TALL XI

11:15 a.m. Depart for Gertson Farms Partnership Headquarters &
Lissie Flying Service
1000 CR 271 Lissie, TX 77454

11:30 a.m. **Rice Production-Gertson Headquarters
Equipment/Grain Drying/Flying Service/Harvesting..... John Gertson**
Partner/Gertson Farms | TALL VIII

Presiding..... Chase Tyndell & Eric Wanjura
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12:30 p.m. Depart for Goudeau Farms
1233 CR 214, Hungerford, TX

1:00 p.m. **Lunch sponsored by..... Goudeau Farms**

2:00 p.m. Tour Goudeau Farms.....**Michael Goudeau**
Partner | TALL XII

NOTE: Mark Kubecka, TALL XII, will either lead the bus or accompany the group on the bus to the fish farm.

3:00 p.m. Depart for tour of Penner Fish Farm
FM 2546, El Campo, TX

3:30 p.m. Tour of Penner Fish Farm

5:00 p.m. Travel to Prasek's Hillje Smokehouse

5:15 p.m. **Prasek's Hillje Smokehouse..... Mike Prasek, Jr.**
29714 US 59 Hwy, El Campo, TX 77437
Owner

6:15 p.m. Depart for El Campo Civic Center
2350 North Mechanic Street, El Campo

WEDNESDAY - July 24, 2013 continued:

Presiding: Jim Mazurkiewicz

6:30 p.m. “Cattleman’s Night” Social

7:30 p.m. Dinner & Program

Opening Remarks.....Jim Mazurkiewicz
Professor and Leadership Program Director
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Welcome.The Honorable Phillip Spenrath
Wharton County Judge

Invocation.The Honorable Richard Young
El Campo Mayor

Dinner

Special Guests Introductions..... Corrie Bowen
County Extension Agent – AG/NR Wharton County
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Speaker Introduction..... Ed Erwin
TALL Alumnus – Class X

“Current and Future Priorities of TSCRA”Richard Thorpe III, MD
Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association

“Responsibilities of TSCRA” Tim Niedecken
Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association

Introduction of TALL XIII.....TALL Class XIII Members

Closing Remarks: Jim Mazurkiewicz

WEDNESDAY - July 24, 2013 continued:

Signature Sponsor:
Graham Land and Cattle Co.

Program Sponsors: Area Agribusinesses
Capital Farm Credit | Edna Credit Office
Johnny Dietze
East Bernard Milling
Ed & Melissa Erwin
First National Bank of Eagle Lake
Gertson Farms Partnership & Lissie Flying Service
Goudeau Farms | Navasota Livestock
Terral Seed Company
United Agricultural Cooperative, Inc.
Wiese Crop Insurance Services LLC
Cord Willms
Windmark Insurance Agency, Inc.

9:00 p.m. Depart for the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8686 Kirby Dr., Houston, TX 77054.

Thursday, July 25, 2013

Presiding:	Kelley Sullivan & Jesse Womack
Attire:.....	Business Casual / Rubber Soled Shoes / No Heels
Transportation	Charter Bus
Bus Dispatch Number.....	800-359-5991, prompt 4
Breakfast:.....	On Your Own

7:45 a.m. Assemble in hotel lobby

8:00 a.m. Depart via bus for Galveston

9:00 a.m. Arrive at the **Texas International Terminals**
4800 Port Industrial Road, Galveston, TX 77554

Discussion and tour with **Todd Sullivan**
President
..... **Bill Bevers**
General Manager
..... **Gerald Sullivan**
Owner, Santa Rosa Ranch

Thursday, July 25, 2013 continued:

10:45 a.m. Travel to **Texas Seaport Museum** for tour.
Pier 21 and Harborside Drive

11:30 a.m. Board the **“Seagull”** for tour of Port of Galveston and Galveston Ship Channel.

Presiding:Jason Avent & Bryan Clift

12:30 p.m. **Lunch (Dutch treat)..... Nonno Tony’s**
2100 Harborside Dr., Pier 21, Galveston, TX 77550

Presentation by Michael Mierzwa
Port Director, Port of Galveston

..... **John Peterlin**
Senior Director of Marketing and Administration, Port of Galveston

1:45 p.m. Travel to **Texas A&M University – Galveston**

Location: Texas A&M University at Galveston
1001 Texas Clipper Road, Galveston, TX 77554
Bastal Sciences Building – Admiral Smith’s Conference Room

2:00 p.m. Presentation by **Rear Admiral Robert Smith III**
President and Chief Executive Officer, Texas A&M University at Galveston

..... **Dr. Mike McClain**
Ike Dike and Coastal Preservation

3:30 p.m. Tour of **Galveston Island** **Kelley Sullivan**
Santa Rosa Ranch | Sullivan Interests | Texas International Terminals | TALL XIII

5:00 p.m. **Dinner** **Evia**
13 Evia Main, Galveston, TX 77554
..... **Dinner hosted by the Sullivan Family**

7:00 p.m. Depart for Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8686 Kirby Dr., Houston, TX 77054

8:00 p.m. Arrive back at hotel.

Thursday, July 25, 2013 continued:

HPD Ride-Along participants:

NOTE:

- No alcohol consumption prior to HPD Ride-Along Program.
- Blue jeans are not allowed.
- We need to look professional but be comfortable.
- If you are scheduled for the “HPD Ride-Along Program” you must be back in the hotel lobby by 9:30 p.m.

10:00 p.m. Meet in hotel lobby for the HPD Night Ride-Along Program

10:30 p.m. Depart for Night Rides (See note below)

Optional Ride-Along Program with Houston Police Department

10:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m. – Full Shift

Presiding:..... Jim Mazurkiewicz

**Attire:Wear comfortable slacks/khakis, comfortable rubber soled shoes
..... NO blue jeans**

NOTE:Bring lunch money.

**NOTE:.....NO neckties, NO purses, NO bags, NO backpacks
.....NO cameras, NO knives, NO guns, NO tape recorders, NO interviews**

FRIDAY - July 26, 2013

NOTE: Check out of hotel!

10:00 a.m. Session Adjourn