Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership Program

TALL XIV
Session 3 – Austin
January 20 - 23, 2015

State Government: Issues and Policies
“Leadership, Legislation, Laws”
Tuesday, January 20, 2015

**Lodging:** DoubleTree Guest Suites Hotel
303 West 15th St., Austin, Texas  |  (512) 478-7000 | AustinSuites.DoubleTree.com
Note: Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. Hotel will store luggage if unable to check in early.

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Oath of Office Ceremony, Texas State Capitol, South Steps
Texas Governor Elect Greg Abbott
Texas Lt. Governor Elect Dan Patrick

12:15 p.m. Inauguration BBQ, West Grounds of the Texas State Capital

1:30 p.m. Convene in Texas State Capitol Annex, Room E2.036
Room courtesy of The Honorable John Raney
Texas House of Representatives, District 14

1:30 – 1:40 p.m. **Overview of Legislative Seminar** ………….. Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz
Professor and Leadership Program Director

1:40 – 2:00 p.m. ..........................................................Mr. Joe Cox
Assistant Vice Chancellor for External Relations, Texas A&M AgriLife

2:00 - 2:45 p.m. **Appropriations, Budget Transparency and Reform, Higher Education and Priorities for the 84th Legislative Session** …………..
The Honorable John Raney
Texas House of Representatives, District 14

2:45 – 3:00 p.m. Break

Presiding Members: ............................................. Matt Gruhlkey and Steven Kahla

3:00 - 3:45 p.m. **“Duties and Responsibilities of the Texas Land Commissioner”**
..........................................................The Honorable George P. Bush
Texas Land Commissioner, Texas General Land Office
Tuesday, January 20, 2015 continued:

3:45 – 4:30  “Responsibilities of the Texas Commission On Environmental Quality”………………………………………………………...Dr. Bryan Shaw
Chairman, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

4:30 – 5:15 p.m  “Appropriations, Border Security, Immigration and Priorities for the 84th Legislative Session” ………………..The Honorable Ryan Guillen
Texas House of Representatives, District 31

8:00 – 11:00 p.m.  2015 Texas Inauguration - Future of Texas Ball
Austin Convention Center

Wednesday, January 21, 2015:

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<td>“Public Health and County Affairs”…….The Honorable Lois Kolkhorst</td>
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<td>Texas State Senator, District 18</td>
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<td>“Water Issues Facing Texas and the Duties of the Texas Water</td>
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<td>9:45-10:30</td>
<td>“Issues Facing Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Homeland Security”</td>
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<td>Texas State Senator, District 30</td>
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<td>“Responsibilities for the Comptroller, 2015 Revenue Estimates and</td>
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<td>2015 Budget Projection”……………….The Honorable Glenn Hegar</td>
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<td>TAC program begins at 11:00 a.m.: Introductions TALL XIII Study Abroad – “Brazil”…………………Lindsay Kennedy TALL XIII</td>
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2:00 – 4:00 p.m. TALL Alumni Meeting……………………………………………….Houston Room

2:00 – 2:30 p.m.:
“Issues Facing Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Health and Human Services” ………………….The Honorable Charles Schwertner
Texas State Senator, District 5

2:45 – 3:30 p.m.:
“Overview of the Texas Railroad Commission Responsibilities”
Gaye McElwain
Director of Public Outreach, Texas Railroad Commission

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Tall Advisory Board Meeting …………………….. Bluebonnet II Room

| Presiding: | Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz |
| Dress: | Business |
| Transportation: | Personal Vehicles |

5:45 p.m. Meet in hotel lobby and depart in your own personal vehicle for
“A Tribute to Texas Leadership” - TALL Alumni reception.

ADDRESS: Austin Club, 110 East 9th Street, Austin, 512/477-9496.
PARKING: Parking at 823 Congress Garage - next to the Austin Club.
VALIDATION: Have your parking ticket validated at the reception by The Austin Club.

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Social

7:00 p.m. Program:

Opening Comments…………………………Jim Mazurkiewicz
Professor and Leadership Program Director

Introduction of the Chancellor…………………………Doug Steele
Director, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

Welcome and Remarks …………………………….John Sharp
Chancellor, Texas A&M University System

Introduction of the Key Note Speaker …………………Bill Dugas
Acting Vice Chancellor and Acting Dean for Agriculture and Life Sciences
Texas A&M AgriLife

Keynote Address………………………….The Honorable Sid Miller
Texas Commissioner of Agriculture

Introduction of TALL XIV………………………… Jim Mazurkiewicz
Wednesday, January 21, 2015 continued:

Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership Foundation Sponsor Recognition…………………………………Presented by Jim Prewitt
Board Chairman, TALL Foundation
CEO, Landmark Nurseries, Inc.

Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership Distinguished Alumnus Award
………………………………………Presented by Tanya Foerster
TALL Alumni President

Texas Agricultural Lifetime Achievement Award
…………………………………………………Presented by Jim Prewitt

HONOREE……………………………………………………Marcus Hill
President and Chairman, Ag Workers Insurance

Closing……………………………………………………Jim Mazurkiewicz
Adjourn for the evening.

Thursday, January 22, 2015:

| Presiding Members…………………………Brad Lubbers and Michelle Moore |
| Attire. ...............................................................Business |
| Transportation............................................................Walk |
| Breakfast...............................................................On your own |

7:45 a.m. Meet in the hotel lobby and walk together to Capitol Annex Room E2.036

8:00 - 8:45 a.m. “Duties and Responsibilities of TxDOT”……..Lt. General Joe Weber
Executive Director, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)

8:45 – 9:15 a.m. “Priorities for the 84th Legislative Session”……The Honorable Joe Straus
Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives

9:15 -9:45 a.m. The Ag Commissioner’s Vision for Managing TDA and the
Responsibilities of this Agency…………………..Jason Fearneyhough
Deputy Commissioner

9:45 - 10:30 a.m. “The Appropriations Process and Natural Resource Concerns”
……………………………………………………The Honorable Trent Ashby
Texas House of Representatives, District 57

10:30 – 12:00 p.m. Visit your State Representative and State Senator and or staff.

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch at Capitol Cafeteria
Thursday, January 22, 2015 continued:

Presiding……………………………………………Jonah Parker and Cuatro Strack

1:30 p.m. Meet in Capitol Annex Room E2.036

1:30 – 2:15 p.m. “How to Keep the Legislature Informed of Your Issues”…
Kody Bessent
Legislative Affairs Director, High Plains Water District

2:15 – 3:00 p.m. “Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Major Initiatives and Agency Responsibilities”…
Clayton Wolf
Director of Wildlife, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

3:00 – 3:30 p.m. BREAK

3:30 – 4:15 p.m. Oversight and Responsibilities of the Texas Animal Health Commission …
Mary Thiel Luedeker
Government Industry Relations and Assistant General Counsel
Texas Animal Health Commission | TALL XIV

4:15 – 5:15 p.m. Homework Presentations

Presiding……………………………………………Mary Luedeker and Zane Nicholson

5:45 p.m. Meet Dr. Jim in the rotunda of the main Capitol building on the 1st floor.

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Reception at the State Capitol, Lt. Governor’s Reception Room
Location: Second Floor, Senate Chamber, Room 2E.16
East end of building and walk up stairs.

Lt. Governor’s Reception Room courtesy of The Honorable Charles Schwertner
Texas State Senator, District 5

Refreshments and Hors d’Oeuvres sponsored by:
………………Texas Pork Producers and Texas Poultry Federation

“The Texas Legislative Budget Process”……………..Mike Morrissey
Director of Budget for Lt. Governor Dan Patrick

8:00 p.m. Certified Hereford Beef Social
Address: 8708 North FM 620, Austin, 78726
Travel in personal vehicles. Carpooling is encouraged.
“Certified Hereford Beef” hors d’Oeuvres will be served
Sponsored by:

- Texas Hereford Breeders
- Certified Hereford Beef
- Texas Beef Council
Friday, January 23, 2015:

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NOTE: Check out of hotel - be ready to leave immediately after Dr. Grant’s presentation!

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**NOTE TO PRESIDING MEMBERS:**

Dr. Grant will have a power point presentation.

Presiding members, make sure the following equipment are set up for Dr. Grant:

(Dr. Jim will have the following equipment. Make sure this is put in his vehicle after the presentation.)

- Flip Chart
- TALL projector
- TALL laptop (This is only for a back-up. Set up only at Dr. Grant’s request)
- Hotel will provide screen, A/V table, power strip and extension cord.

6:45 – 7:30 a.m.  Breakfast sponsored by Texas Association of Dairymen

7:30 - 9:30 a.m.  “Psychological Types: Practical Applications”……Dr. Richard Grant Psychologist

9:30 - 9:40 a.m.  Break

9:40 - 11:00 a.m.  “Psychological Types: Practical Applications” resumes…………

**CHECK-OUT OF HOTEL!**

Session is adjourned - Have a safe trip home!
Signature Sponsors

“Tribute to Texas Leadership” Reception:
TALL Alumni
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Reception in the Lt. Governor’s Reception Room:
Texas Pork Producers
Texas Poultry Federation
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General Session Lunch Sponsor:
Texas Ag Council
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General Session Breakfast Sponsor:
Texas Association of Dairymen

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West Texas Session Agenda

Presiding…………………………………………………………..Blaine Junfin and Mariano Lerma
Transportation………………………………………………………………Personal Vehicle

Friday, January 23, 2015

12:00 – 4:00 p.m.  Travel to Sonora, TX in personal vehicles

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.  Check in motel, (Comfort Inn) freshen up
Address: 311 Hwy 277 North, Sonora, TX  76950

5:30 – 6:30 p.m.  Visit Old Sonora Ice House Ranch Museum
Address: 202 Water Ave, Sonora, TX  76950

6:30 – 10:00 p.m.  Dinner at Sonora’s Historic Train Depot
Address: 450 East Mulberry, Sonora, TX  76950
Keynote speaker ...............................................................Bob Malone
President & CEO, Sonora Bank
Saturday, January 24, 2015

**Presiding Members:** Travis Thorne & Eric Turpen

**Transportation:** Bus

7:00 a.m.  Load bus for travel to Texas A&M Research Station

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.  Chuck wagon Cowboy Breakfast @ Research Station

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.  Welcome & History of Sonora Research Station…

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.  

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Dr. Charles “Butch” Taylor

9:00 – 10:00 p.m.  Water Conservation, Sutton and Menard Counties Underground Water District’s………………………………Jim Polonis and Caroline Runge

10:00 -11:00 a.m.  Report on USDA Wildlife Services

- Predation in Edwards Plateau and Hill Country

- District supervisor…………………………………….. Alan Armstead

- Rancher, Business owner……………………………… Stan Cottle

11:00 – 12:00 a.m.  Tour facilities: Information on Breeds of Sheep & Goats

- Rancher, Wool & Mohair Warehouse Manager…………Seco Mayfield

- Rancher, Manager High Cross Vineyard………… Dr. Erika Campbell

**Presiding Members:** Wes Chandler & Sandra Choate

**Transportation:** Bus

12 noon – 1:00 p.m.  Chuck wagon Lunch

1:00 – 1:30 p.m.  Oil & Gas Production in the Region …………………Terry Crawford

Production Manager, ENERVEST

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.  Tour & Discussion of Prescribed Burning-

Pre/post burn with livestock……………… Dr. Charles “Butch” Taylor

Prescribed Burning Associations …………………Curry Campbell

3:00 – 3:30 p.m.  Travel to Deer Breeding Facility

3:30 - 4:00 p.m.  Tour Deer Breeding Facility- Dermody Ranch

4:00 – 4:30 p.m.  Travel back to motel in Sonora to freshen up

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Saturday, January 24, 2015 continued

5:45 – 10:00 p.m.  Load bus to travel to X Bar Ranch
      - Diversity in ranching .........................................Stan Meador
      - Christoval Winery
      - Dinner, Meet & greet

Sunday, January 25, 2015

Check out motel & breakfast on your own

West Texas Session Sponsors

Anonymous Donor through the San Angelo Area Foundation
Capital Farm Credit – Hondo, Texas
    Ralph P. Mayer
    Robert Sol Mayer
    Jim and Amy Perry