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TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION

Governor Dolph Briscoe Jr., Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership (TALL) Program

**Cohort XVII
Session 1 – College Station
July 21-24, 2020**

“Extension, Education, Expectations”



Check in: The Stella | 4100 Lake Atlas Dr. Bryan, TX 77807 | (979) 421-4000

Room assignments as directed

NOTE: If rooms are available, you may check in prior to 1:00. If not, they will store your luggage at the bell stand

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020

Attire:.....Business Casual with proper provided PPE

Location: Celeste A, The Stella

1:00 p.m. Opening Remarks **Jim Mazurkiewicz, Ph.D.**, Professor, Regents Fellow
and Leadership Program Director

1:10 p.m. Welcome **Susan Ballabina (Invited), Ph.D.**, Deputy Vice Chancellor
Texas A&M AgriLife
Jeff Hyde (Invited), Ph.D., Director
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

1:30 p.m. Land Grant Mission, History of Extension & TAMU System
Jim Mazurkiewicz, Ph.D.

2:15 p.m. Texas Department of Criminal Justice Agriculture Today
Todd Swick, Program Specialist
V Livestock and Beef & Pork Processing
Texas Department of Criminal Justice Minerals

3:00 p.m. Depart in personal vehicles for the Texas Forest Service, Emergency
Operations Center
200 Technology Way, College Station, Texas 77845

Presiders: Giovana Benitez & Steven White

3:30 p.m. Welcome and Overview of Texas A&M Forest Service **Tom Boggus**, Director
Texas Wildfires and All Hazard Response **Mark Stanford** Associate Director
Forest Resource Protection

Overview of Emergency Operations Center and the Tools / Technology
Texas Forest Service Uses **Don Hannemann**, EOC Coordinator

Texas Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal (TX WRAP) and Southern Wildfire
Risk Assessment Portal (South WRAP) **Curt Stripling**, GIS Specialist

TxForestInfo.com Demonstration.....**Gretchen Riley**

5:15 p.m. Load personal vehicles and return to hotel

Presiders: Travis Ward & Randy Carpenter
Location: Celeste A, The Stella

6:30 p.m. Etiquette Training and Meal..... **Susan Quiring, Ph.D.**
Director, Susan's Ballroom Dance & Class Act Etiquette

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2020

Presiders..... Christi Short & Stefen Tucker
Attire..... Business Casual with proper provided PPE
Transportation..... Personal Vehicles
Location..... Celeste A, The Stella

- 7:30 a.m. **Breakfast in meeting room**
- 8:00 a.m. Responsibilities of the TVMDL (*Via Zoom*) **Bruce L. Akey MS DVM**, Director
Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory
- 8:45 a.m. Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Issues Facing Agriculture
David Ragsdale, Ph.D., Associate Director
Texas A&M AgriLife Research
- 9:30 a.m. Break
- 10:00 a.m. NAFTA, Tariffs and National Policy on the World Stage
Bart Fischer, Assistant Professor
Co-Director of the Agriculture Food Policy Center
Joe Outlaw, Professor and Extension Economist
Co-Director of the Agriculture Food Policy Center
- 11:30 a.m. Travel in Personal Vehicles for afternoon session

Presiders..... Isaac Sulemana & Matt Clifton

- 12:00 p.m. Lunch & Program **LOCATION TBD**
Program
Remarks & Welcome **John Giesenschlag**
Lunch Sponsored by:
Tri-County Extension Field Crops Committee
Citizens State Bank of Somerville, Caldwell, Deanville, Snook,
Brenham and Navasota
Monsanto Company
- 1:00 p.m. Travel to Wiggins LLP-Watermelon Warehouse, Inc
7979 FM 50, Caldwell, TX 77836 (Snook)
Tour & Overview **Jody and Clint Wiggins and family**
Wiggins LLP-Watermelon Warehouse, Inc.
- 1:45 p.m. Depart for Royalty Pecans
- 1:55 p.m. Orchard Tour & Overview
- 2:30 p.m. Travel to Blue Bell Creameries
Brenham 1101 S Blue Bell Rd, Brenham, TX 77833

Presiders..... Tyler Cross & Chaz Rutledge

- 3:20 p.m. Tour Blue Bell Creameries..... **Mr. Sam Sommer, CFO**
- 5:00 p.m. Depart for STgenetics
- 5:30 p.m. Tour STgenetics
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner hosted by STgenetics
- 8:30 p.m. Return to the Stella Hotel

THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2020

Presider.....	Jim Mazurkiewicz, Ph.D.
Attire:.....	Blue jeans or knee length shorts, T-shirt, tennis shoes, sun screen, PPE
Transportation.....	Personal Vehicles
Location:	Challenge Works

**** DRESS COMFORTABLY! ****

- 6:30 a.m. **Breakfast on your own**
- 7:30 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby and travel by charter bus to TAMU Challenge Course
- 8:00 a.m. **Challenge Works****Bob Gantt**, Program Coordinator - TAMU Challenge Works
 - Leadership for Change
 - Communication
 - Trust Building
- 9:30 a.m. Break
- 11:30 p.m. Lunch at the course
- 12:30 p.m. **Challenge Works continued:**
 - Creative Problem Solving
 - Collaborative Decision Making
 - Celebrating Diversity
 - Project Teams
- 2:30 p.m. Depart & Return to Hotel
- 3:00 p.m. Return to hotel to prepare for the evening

Attire.....	Business with proper provided PPE
Transportation.....	Personal Vehicle

- 5:00 p.m. Meet at the Liberty Horses at the George Bush Library & Museum for Group Photo
- 5:45 p.m. Return to The Stella for individual head shots and cocktail hour
Location: Aurora, The Stella Hotel

COHORT MUST CHECK IN WITH JENNIFER AND HAVE PHOTO DONE

TALL XVII participants depart with individual hosts for dinner
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- 7:00 p.m. Depart with dinner hosts

Jennifer will announce once a host has arrived and you will meet them in the front of the hotel

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2020

NOTE: Check out of hotel. Take care of incidentals. Luggage can be left at desk if needed.

Presider..... Andrew Polk & Carmen Fenton
Attire..... Business Casual with proper provided PPE
Location..... Celeste A, The Stella

6:30 a.m. **Breakfast in meeting room**

8:00 a.m. Center of Excellence for Cross-Border Threat Screening and Supply Chain Defense, or CBTS, a Department of Homeland Security Science and Technology Center of Excellence **Greg Pompelli, Ph.D.**, Director
CBTS - Texas A&M AgriLife Research

9:00 a.m. International Affairs and moving forward (*Via Zoom*)
Professor Andrew S. Natsios, Executive Professor
Director of the Scowcroft Institute of International Affairs
Bush School of Government

10:00 a.m. Break

Presiders..... Kate Fred & Sam Nesbitt

10:15 a.m. “A different kind of undercover” **Jim Olson** Senior Lecturer
The Bush School of Government & Public Service
Texas A&M University

11:15 a.m. International Relations in the Middle East **Dr. F. Gregory Gause**
Department Head of International Affairs Department

12:15 p.m. Depart of George Bush Library Archive Visit
(*Pending current Federal Policy Restrictions*)
1000 George Bush Drive West | College Station, TX 77845

Closing Remarks and Adjourn

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