

TEXAS A&M
AGRILIFE
EXTENSION

**Governor Dolph Briscoe Jr.,
Texas Agricultural
Lifetime Leadership Program**

**Cohort XVII
Session 7 – Tyler/East Texas**

**East Texas Agriculture
“*Production, Producers, Progress*”**

January 21-26, 2024



Sunday, January 21, 2024

Presiders	Darrell White & Jon Cluck
Attire.....	Business Casual
Transportation.....	Charter Bus

- 3:45 pm Meet at Bonds Ranch in Saginaw
10857 N Saginaw Blvd #5308, Fort Worth, TX 76179
- 4:00 pm Tour Ranch
- 5:30 pm Dinner & Program ***Sponsored & Hosted by Bonds Ranch***
Pete Bonds and TSCRA
- 9:00 pm Depart for hotel
Holiday Inn Fort Worth (16-minute drive)
11120 Moriah Drive | Fort Worth, TX 76177
- 9:30 pm Check in & Free Evening

Monday, January 22, 2024

Presiders.....	Ryan Skrobarczyk & Mauricio Garcia
Attire.....	Business Casual
Transportation.....	Charter Bus
Breakfast.....	Provided at National Finance

- 7:30 am Check out of hotel
Depart in personal vehicles for National Finance Credit Corporation of Texas
410 E Weatherford St. | Fort Worth, TX 76102 (16-minute drive)
(Please Park in the parking lot at 500 E)
- 8:00 am **National Finance Credit Corporation of Texas** **Seth Denbow, COO**
Breakfast Sponsored by National Finance Credit Corporation of Texas
- 10:00 am Depart in personal vehicles for BNSF *(12-minute drive)*
2650 Lou Menk Drive | Fort Worth, TX 76131
(Turn into main entrance and follow to Visitor's Center (go toward flags). Parking is in front of there and another parking lot to the south of the flagpole entry. The session host will meet group at the Visitor's Center and escort to the Viewing Gallery for meeting)
- 10:15 am Meet Mignon Lambley for clearance & check in

Presiders.....	Tyler Randolph & Trent Tyson
-----------------------	---

- 10:30 am **Meet with BNSF Administration**
The mission of BNSF
The history of BNSF
Markets/Trade/Exports/Imports
Transportation/Competition
Tariffs/International Policies
Commodities
- 12:30 pm ***Lunch Sponosred by BNSF*** & continued discussion

1:30 pm Depart in personal vehicles for Collin Street Bakery in Corsicana, TX (1.5-hour drive)
401 W 7th Ave Corsicana Tx, 75110

Presiders..... Thomas McNutt & Courtney Schmidt

3:00 pm **Collin Street Bakery Overview & Tour Thomas McNutt, Vice President & TALL XVIII**

5:00 pm Depart in personal vehicles for – **Rozell Manufacturing** (1.5-hour drive)
14264 Highway 64 West, Tyler, TX 75704

Presiders..... Rhett Rabenaldt & Reina Lewis

6:30 pm **Dinner and Social Hosted & Sponsored by Darren Rozell**
Rozell Sprayer MFG. Company & TALL XII Alumnus

****Guests to include TALL Alumni, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension/ Research Faculty
& East Texas Agricultural Leaders****

10:00 pm Depart for hotel in Tyler, Texas (16-minute drive)
Holiday Inn South Broadway | 5701 S. Broadway | Tyler, TX 75703 | 903.561.5800

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

Presiders..... James Dangelmayr & Lance Barnett
Attire..... Business Casual
Transportation..... Charter Bus
Breakfast..... Provided at Cavenders

**Tyler portion of session was coordinated by “LEAD East Texas” (LEAD ETX)
with leadership given by Kyle Watts**

Breakfast will be provided at Cavenders

7:30 am Board bus from Holiday Inn South Broadway – Tyler
Bus departs for Cavender’s Corporate Office

7:45 am **Cavender’s Corporate Office Larry Waterman- COO**

8:30 am Bus Departs for Cavenders Boot City

8:45 am **Cavenders Boot City Alicia Fuller, Store Manager**
Hat Fitting and Shopping Time (tips are appreciated)

10:00 am Load bus to travel to Everde Growers
Tyler Horticulture Industry Greg Grant, Smith County Horticulturist
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Presiders..... Jaclyn Parrish & Jennifer Bremer

10:45 am **Everde Growers Nursery Tour & Overview ... Eric Hatcher, General Manager**

12:00 pm Bus departs for W6 Farms

Presiders..... Kodie Sageser & Addie Stone

- 12:15 pm **Overview & Lunch Sponsored by W6 Farms**
- 12:45 pm **East Texas Hay Production Overview**
Greg Walker, Owner & TALL Advisory Board
- Drone Ag Demonstration**..... **Kevin Proctor**, TALL X
Horticulture and Rose Overview **Greg Grant**, Smith County Horticulturist
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
- 2:00 pm Depart for Hawkins ISD Ag Complex
- | |
|--|
| Presiders Jake Troutt & Tillery Sims |
|--|
- 2:20 pm **Overview of Hawkins ISD Ag Complex and Bee Production**
Matt Byrd, Senior Ag Instructor
- 4:00 pm Board bus for hotel
- 4:30 pm Arrive back at hotel to freshen up
- 5:30 pm Bus departs for Hollytree Country Club

Attire Business
Transportation Charter Bus

****There will be CEA's to work the registration table, no presiders needed****

**Leadership, Agriculture Development Foundation of East Texas "LEAD" Program
Social honoring TALL Class XVIII**

Emcee	Larry Pierce , Regional Program Leader Agriculture & Natural Resources/4-H and Youth Development
Invocation	Clint Perkins , Smith County AgriLife Extension Agent ~Dinner~
Recognize Sponsors and Guests	Kyle Watts , LEAD Chairman & TALL XV
Special Recognition	Ted Conover , TALL Advisory Board Jim Mazurkiewicz, Ph.D. , Professor & Leadership Program Director Governor Dolph Briscoe Jr., TALL Program
Comments & Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Ted Conover Keynote Speaker : Senator Bryan Hughes
Presentation of Special Awards	Mary Beth Lucy
Recognize Jerry Lucy Scholarship Recipient	
Presentation of V.A. "Bill" and Mary Clements Memorial Awards	Kevin Proctor , TALL XIII & Clint Perkins
Presentation of Excellence in Research and Extension Awards	Clint Perkins , Smith County AgriLife Extension Agent Charles Long , AgriLife Resident Director of Research
TALL XVIII Introductions	Jim Mazurkiewicz, Ph.D.

9:00 pm Bus departs for hotel & Adjourn

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

Presiders..... Zane Thornton & Addie Stone
Attire..... Business casual: Closed toed, hard soles shoes & Jacket
Transportation.....Personal Vehicles
Breakfast..... Texas A&M Research Center
NOTE..... Check-out of hotel!

We will NOT be returning to Tyler

7:00 am **Check out of hotel!**

7:15 am **Depart in personal vehicles** for Texas A&M Research Center Overton
(35-minute drive)
1710 FM 3053 | Overton |Texas 75684

8:00 am **Welcome and Introduction**
Dr. Charles Long, Resident Director of Research and Professor

8:30 am ***Breakfast Sponsored by Texas A&M Research Center Overton***

9:00 am Presentation from Center Staff

9:30 am **Depart in personal vehicles** for Altman Nurseries, Inc. (30-minute drive)
15255 State Highway 110N | Troup |Texas 75789

Presiders Reina Lewis & Kodie Sageser

10:00 am Arrive at Altman Nurseries Inc

10:15 am **Overview and Tour of Altman Nurseries Inc.**

11:10 am Depart in personal vehicles for Nacogdoches County Extension Office (50-minute drive)
203 West. Main St. | Nacogdoches |TX 75961
Extra parking on west side of annex building

12:00 pm Arrive at Nacogdoches County Extension Office
Catfish lunch ***Sponsored by Texas Farm Credit***

PresidersRyan Skrobarczyk & Thomas McNutt

12:30 pm **SFAU Agriculture Department Overview ... Joey Bray**, Dept. of Agriculture Chair

12:45 pm **Poultry Production and Consumer Demands David Alders**
Agriculture producer, broiler grower and cattle producer

1:30 pm **Truck farming in East Texas**
Will Cauthen, School Principal and Vegetable grower

2:15 pm **Tyson Foods, facing the challenges of the Business..... Vince Lucas**
Poultry Complex Manager

3:00 pm Depart for Texas Farm Products (3-5-minute drive)
915 S Fredonia St, Nacogdoches, TX 75964

Presiders Jon Cluck & Jake Troutt

3:30pm **Texas Farm Products.....Steele Wright**, Director of Marketing

5:00pm Depart for The Fredonia Hotel *(3-minute drive)*
200 North Fredonia Street | Nacogdoches, TX 75961 | (936) 564-1234

5:05pm Arrive at The Fredonia Hotel
Check In & Freshen Up

5:45 pm Depart for dinner at Clear Springs Restaurant *(2-minute drive)*
211 Old Tyler Rd | Nacogdoches, TX 75961

Presiders Darrell White & Jayci Bishop

6:00 pm ***Dinner & Program Sponsored by Texas Forestry Association***

Welcome

- **Overview of itinerary.....Rob Hughes**, Executive Director, TFA
- **Forestry in East Texas..... Wes Moorehead**
East Texas Forestry Operations Department Head
Texas A&M Forest Service
- **TFA History and Programs..... Rob Hughes**
- **TALL XVIII International Session discussion**

8:45 pm Adjourn & return to Fredonia Hotel

Thursday, January 25, 2024

Presiders..... Tillery Sims & Mauricio Garcia
Attire..... Business casual: Closed toed, hard soles shoes & Jacket
Transportation.....Personal Vehicles

7:00am ***Breakfast "TO GO" provided by Texas Forestry Association***

7:30am Depart Hotel in personal vehicles for West Fraser Angelina Lumber
(carpool suggested | *30-minute drive*)
3935 FM326, Lufkin, TX 75901

Presiders Darrell White & Jayci Bishop

8:20am **West Fraser Angelina Lumber Overview & Tour**

10:30am Depart for ArborGen Jasper, TX *(45-minute drive)*
2027 Co Rd 101, Jasper, TX 75951

11:30am **ArborGen Jasper Nursery Overview & Tour**
Lunch Sponsored by ArborGen Jasper Nursery

1:30pm Depart for Logging, Planting, and Silviculture stops with TTG Forestry Services
Caddo Sustainable Timberlands investment property (880K acres)

(Addresses will be provided as you go, TBA pending weather conditions)

5:30pm Arrive at **Texas Forestry Association World Headquarters**
1903 Atkinson Dr, Lufkin, TX 75901

6:30 pm **Dinner and Social**
Sponsored by Brookshire Brothers
Joined by Brookshire Brothers Executives and TFA Staff & Officers
Brookshire Brothers Presentation

10:00 pm Depart & Return to Hotel

Friday, January 26, 2024

Presiders..... Trent Tyson & Addie Stone
Attire..... Business casual: Closed toed, hard soles shoes & Jacket
Transportation.....Personal Vehicles

- 7:00 am ***Breakfast Provide by Texas Forestry Association***
Fredonia Hotel 1st City Café
- 8:00 am Travel to Boggy Slough Conservation Area *(28-minute drive)*
204 Champions Drive | Lufkin, Texas 75901
- 9:00 am Boggy Slough Conservation Area
- 12:00 pm Closing Remarks & Session Adjourned
Optional Group Lunch at McAlister's *(4-minute drive)*
McAlister's Deli, 2136 S First St, Lufkin, TX 75901

Thank You to Our Session #8 Sponsors!

Bonds Rach	National Finance Credit Corporation of Texas
BNSF	Rozell Sprayer Mfg. Company
Threlkeld Farms	John Soules Foods
Southside Bank	Wood County Electric Coop
	W6 Farms
Tyler Packing Company	Texas Farm Credit
Red Rock Ranch	The Park of East Texas
Texas Forestry Association	SDS Petroleum
Austin Bank	Lowe Tractor
Bain Cattle Company	Hall Buick GMC
Heritage Land Bank	Lester Lucy
Tejas Ranch & Game Fence	Landmark Title Company