Tennessee Forestry Association
Annual Meeting Brochure
Autumn in the Smokies....Celebrating 65th Anniversary

TOLL FREE RESERVATIONS: 844-434-6787
Margaritaville Pigeon Forge Hotel ● 131 Island Drive ● Piegeon Forge, TN 37863
Fly Fishing at Elkmont
Contact: David Hudnall & Kevin Hoyt / 11:00 a.m. Catch Minibus

Enjoy an autumn afternoon fly fishing in the Little Pigeon River at Elkmont Campground. Transportation will be provided. A boxed lunch will be available at the Elkmont picnic area before fishing. A TN or NC fishing license is required (no stamp necessary). Yellow caddis or dry flies are recommended. Felt soled boots are recommended while fishing, waders are not necessary. A gentle breeze through the trees, clear mountain stream and those fish waiting to bite….TFA members will truly experience a Smoky Mountain fly fishing adventure.
Registration fee: $25.00

Guided Forestry Hike in the Mountains
Contact: Dana Howard / 11:00 a.m. Catch Minibus

TFA members will participate in a guided hike to view several examples of different forest species in the Smoky Mountains. Transportation will be provided. The hike will be led by retired Park Ranger and Experienced Guide Carey Jones. A boxed lunch will be served to hikers at Chimney Tops Picnic Area. Tour stops with hikes to visit various species of trees will include Sugarlands Visitors Center, Chimney Tops, and Newfound Gap with a hike over to Indian Gap to view a completely different type forested canopy area. Snacks and bottled water will also be provided.
Registration fee: $25.00

Golf Tournament
Contact: Larry Pitts / 11:00 a.m. Drive to Course, Shotgun Start at Noon (Directions at TFA Registration Desk)

TFA golfers will tee-off at noon in a shotgun, 4-person scramble format on the scenic River Course at the Sevierville Golf Club. The Golf Club features two 18 hole courses, with the par 72 River Course playing along and across the Little Pigeon River. The Sevierville Golf Club is recognized throughout East Tennessee for its top-shelf amenities, services and friendly staff. Also available will be a driving range with grass tees, an expansive putting green and chipping area. Lunch will be served and refreshments will be available throughout the afternoon.
Registration: $75.00

Sporting Clays
Contact: Steve Owen / 11:00 a.m. Drive to Course (Directions at TFA Registration Desk)

TFA sporting clays enthusiasts will head to the Gatlinburg Sportsmen’s Club for an afternoon of shooting sports. Boxed lunches will be provided at the Sportsmen’s Club. Participants will shoot 100 targets (50 sporting clays & 50 trap targets). Shooters need to provide own shells (4 boxes) and gun. The Club is known as the “The Home of Shooting Sports in the Great Smoky Mountains” and will provide great hospitality to our TFA members.
Registration fee: $50.00

Pottery Café Lunch and Pottery Making
Contact: Candace Dinwiddie / 11:15 a.m. Catch Minibus

Come and enjoy a delightful lunch at a unique café in the heart of Pigeon Forge. After lunch, TFA members can head next door and throw their own piece of pottery to keep as a souvenir. Also, in the Old Mill area where the Pottery Café and Pottery is located, there are numerous shops for browsing and shopping during the afternoon. Bus transportation will be available to take TFA members to lunch, then bring folks back to the hotel after a fun afternoon of pottery making and shopping at the Old Mill Square.
Registration fee: $25.00
OPPORTUNITY TO WIN A LARGE BIG GREEN EGG GRILL OR YETI TUNDRA 75 COOLER!!!

Tickets are $10.00 each
All proceeds benefit TFA PAC Fund
Drawing will be at TFA’s Annual Meeting on September 23, 2016
Winners need not be present to win!!!

First Prize Big Green Egg
www.biggreenegg.com

Second Prize Yeti Tundra 75 Cooler
Www.yeticoolers.com

Please visit the TFA Registration Booth at the Conference to purchase tickets.

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS (SAF) CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS AVAILABLE:

TFA Convention Attendance has been approved for 5.25 hours of Cat. 1-CF SAF Credit & 1.25 Cat. 2 CF SAF Credit. Forms will be available at the TFA registration desk.

DISCOUNTS

Please make sure to pick up discounted tickets and coupons for nearby popular Pigeon Forge & Gatlinburg attractions available at the TFA Registration Desk.

MARGARITAVILLE ISLAND HOTEL

Margaritaville is located in Pigeon Forge, offers comfortable and spacious accommodations with many amenities which include fireplace, private balcony, wet bar, refrigerator, microwave, Keurig Coffee Maker, deluxe showers, Margaritaville Frozen Concoction Maker, 40-inch flat screen HD TV, iPod Alarm Docking Station and complimentary wireless internet.

Room Rate: $119 Double/ $129 & Up for King
Phone: 844-434-6787 Reservations Cut-Off Date: 8/22/2016

TFA has reserved a block of rooms for the Annual Meeting. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY! MARGARITAVILLE GETS REALLY BUSY AND COULD SALE OUT QUICK!!!

PACKAGES

Complete, Spouse / Significant Other, & Children’s Package (2 & Under) Includes:
Wednesday’s: It’s 5 o’clock Somewhere & President Receptions,
Thursday’s: General Session, Morning Break, Silent Auction & Reception and Awards Dinner

Meeting Only Includes:
Wednesday’s: It’s 5 o’clock Somewhere & President Reception & Thursday’s: General Session, Morning Break, and Friday Morning: Breakfast ONLY.

Wednesday Only Package Includes:
Wednesday’s: It’s 5 o’clock Somewhere Reception and President’s Reception ONLY

Thursday Only Package Only Includes:
Thursday’s: General Session, Silent Auction & Reception and Awards Dinner ONLY

There is no charge for the Pre-conference Meeting on Wednesday morning. *Optional Events listed are priced extra and not included in any package please see the rest of the brochure for more information* Sporting Clays, Golf Tournament, Fly Fishing, Pottery Class, Association of Consulting Foresters (ACF) Luncheon.
## 2016 Agenda-At-a-Glance

### Wednesday, September 21

**Pre-Conference Meeting**
- 9:00-11:00 a.m.

**Scott Schlarbaum, UT**
- “How Our TN Forests are Changing Over Time” Impact on TN Forests Invasive Plants, Pests, Diseases

**Bill Burkman, USFS**
- “Update on TN Forest Inventory Analysis Data”

### Committee Meetings Begin
- 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

- 10:00 a.m. TFASWCG Insurance Trustees Meeting
- 10:00 a.m. TFA Registration Booth Opens
- 11:30 a.m. Tree Farm Committee Meeting/Lunch

### Noon-4:00 p.m.

**Exhibit Set-Up/CR Room Perimeter**
- 1:00 p.m. SFI Committee Meeting
- 1:30 p.m. TFASWCG Annual Meeting
- 3:00-5:00 p.m. TFA Board of Directors Meeting
- 4:00-5:30 p.m. “It’s 5:00 o’clock Somewhere”

### President’s Reception
- 6:00-7:00 p.m.

### Thursday, September 22

**TFA Registration Desk Opens**

- **Sausage/Ham Biscuits/Pastry, Coffee, etc.**

### General Session Convenes
- 8:00 a.m. — 10:30 a.m.

**Jake Almond, TFA President**
- Welcoming Remarks

**Pigeon Forge Mayor David Wear**
- Welcome to Pigeon Forge

**Sevier Co. Mayor Larry Waters**
- Welcome to Sevierville Co

**Kristine Johnson, Supervisory Forester**
- Welcome to Great Smoky Mtns. Natl. Park Logging History & Forest Health

**Tripp Pryor, American Hardwood Export Council International Program Director**
- “Asian European Market Influence & Impact on TN’s Wood Industry”

**Dr. James Finley; Penn State University/Extension Service**
- Small Woodlot Management: Biodiversity, Wildlife, Forest Health & Timber Harvesting

### 9:40-10:00 a.m. Break/Visit Exhibitors
- 10:00 a.m. Doug Duncan, Forest Equipment Operator Training School CEO
- Logging in the Future…Work Force Development, Training & Safety
- 10:30 a.m. Jake Almond, TFA President
- Closing Remarks & Adjourn

### Thursday Optional Events

*See Event Page for Detailed Information*

### Friday, September 23

- **8:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet**
- **8:30 a.m. Jake Almond, TFA President**
- Log-a-Load Presentation to Recognize Terry Porter’s Dedication to TN’s Log A Load Program
- Sherri Porter, Austin & Kim will be Present

### Saturday, September 24

- **11:00 a.m. Skeet/Sporting Clay Participants Leave to go to Gatlinburg Sportsmen’s Club Directions at TFA Registration Desk.**
- **Skeet/Sporting Clay & Lunch Trip**
  (Steve Owen or TFA Staff, Contact)
- **11:15 a.m Catch Minibus for Pottery Making**
- **Pottery House Café Lunch & Class**
  Shopping at Mill/Minibus will transport back & forth to Margaritaville as Needed

### 11:45 a.m ACF Luncheon
- 2: 15 p.m. Volunteers Set-Up Silent Auction
- 5:15-6:30 p.m. Silent Auction & Reception

**TFA Award’s Dinner**
- 6:30 p.m. Load Buses or Walk to Harpoon Harry’s Restaurant
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner & Awards Presented
- 9:00 p.m. Load Buses or walk back to hotel
- 9:30 p.m. Pay/Pickup Silent Auction Items

### 11:00 a.m. Hikers Catch Bus
- **Hike & Lunch Trip**
- Retired Park Service Ranger Carey Jones
- Return to Hotel by 4:00 p.m.
  (Dana Howard or TFA Staff, Contact)

### 11:00 a.m. Fishermen Catch Minibus
- **Fly Fishing & Lunch Trip**
  (D. Hudnall & K. Hoyt or TFA Staff, Contact)

### 11:00 a.m. Golfers Leave,
- **Directions at TFA Registration Desk.**
- **Skeet/Sporting Clay & Lunch Trip**
- Outgoing President’s Remarks

### 10:00 a.m. Meeting & Conference Adjourn

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**Agenda is Subject to Change as Meeting Planning Progresses!!!**

Make sure to pick up a new TFA Conference Agenda at the TFA Registration Desk!!
Tennessee Forestry Association  
2016 Annual Meeting Registration Form  
September 21—23, 2016, Margaritaville Island Hotel in Pigeon Forge, TN  
“Autumn in the Smokies….Celebrating TFA’s 65th Anniversary”

CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name: ___________________________________________ Last Name: ___________________________________________
Spouse/Significant Other/Child: ___________________________________________ Last Name: ___________________________________________
Organization: ______________________________________________________________________________________________________________
Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________________________________________ State: __________________ Zip: __________________
Telephone: ___________________  □ This is my first TFA Annual Meeting
Email: ___________________________________________

☐ Yes, I would like to be a Sponsor this year Meeting.  Amount: ____________________________________________________________________________

Please apply my sponsorship to:  __It’s 5 O’clock Somewhere ______ President’s Reception _____________ General Session

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☐ Yes, I want to contribute Silent Auction Item.  Donated Item: ______________________________ (optional) Donated Item Value: $_________ (optional)
☐ Yes, I want to Sponsor the Meeting or an Event.   Event Name: _______________________________ Amount $____________

Please photocopy this form for additional attendees. We need names and registration details for each registrant for food and name tag purposes.

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☐ Yes, I am attending Wed. Morning ***Pre-Conference Meeting, Registration Fee: NO CHARGE (# __________ of people attending)

*All Packages include registration, meetings, receptions, breaks, breakfast & dinner.  **Fly Fishing, Hike, Golf, Sporting Clays, Pottery Café Lunch & Pottery Making Class & ACF Luncheon are extra and NOT included!!  *** There is no charge to attend Wednesday Morning’s Pre-Conference Presentations.

SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS:

☐ Yes, I would like to be a Sponsor this year Meeting.  Amount: ____________________________________________________________________________

☐ Tree Farm Silent Auction  ___________________  ☐ President’s Reception  ___________________  ☐ General Session

☐ Awards Dinner  ___________________  ☐ Friday’s Breakfast  ___________________  ☐ Other/Optional Event: ___________________

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PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Check  ☐ Visa  ☐ MasterCard  ☐ Bill Me

Payment Enclosed: (A+B): $___________  Check #__________________________

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Don’t Forget to Make Reservations: Margaritaville Island Hotel, Pigeon Forge, TN  
Room Rate: $119 Single/Double  $129 & Up/King  Phone: 844-434-6787  
Cut-Off Date: 8/15/2016 (RESERVE YOUR ROOM EARLY, BUSY LOCATION)

Please Mail or Fax Registration to: Tennessee Forestry Association  
P.O. Box 290693; Nashville, TN 37229  
Phone: 615 883-3832  Fax: 615 883-0515  
Email: info@tnforestry.com  Website: www.tnforestry.com
DON’T FORGET TO DONATE TO THE 2016 TENNESSEE TREE FARM SILENT AUCTION

(AUCTION HELD DURING ANNUAL MEETING)

Please donate an item or items for the Tennessee TREE FARM SILENT AUCTION. We are interested in a variety of items, i.e. home crafts, jams, quilts, paintings, items made from wood, decorative items, gift certificates, lamps, small furnishings, forestry equipment, hunting items & trips, sport event tickets, or whatever you think would sell at the auction.

Proceeds from the auction support the Tree Farm Committee’s projects to help private landowners in Tennessee.

Please bring item(s) donated with you to the Annual Meeting Registration Desk or mail them to the TFA Office. **DO NOT FORGET TO INCLUDE WITH DONATED ITEM(S): DONOR NAME AND/OR COMPANY, DESCRIPTION OF DONATED ITEM(S) AND ITEM(S) VALUE.**

Mailing deadline for these items is September 2, 2016.

TN Tree Farm Program
C/O Tennessee Forestry Association
2605 Elm Hill Pike, Suite G
Nashville, TN 37214

Any questions, please contact Dana Howard, TFA at 615/883-3832. THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!