



**TENNESSEE FORESTRY ASSOCIATION**  
*"The Voice of Forestry"*

**July, 2017**

**Dear TFA Member:**

The Tennessee Forestry Association has planned its 2017 Annual Meeting for **October 25-27 (Wednesday-Friday morning) at the Doubletree Downtown Hotel in Memphis**. This year's convention will have something for everyone including Wednesday morning's pre-conference discussions on transportation safety and historical perspectives of our forests and early Tennesseans impact on our woodlands.

On Thursday morning, the General Session will include discussions on the state of our forests and state of our industry, perspectives on work force development and drone technology. On Thursday afternoon, activities include a golf tournament at Mirimichi, Memphis Zoo tour/lunch, Graceland tour/lunch, tours at FedEx, LeBonheur Hospital and Gibson Guitar. The traditional Thursday evening awards dinner will be held as well as an entertaining and informative breakfast programs on Friday.

In order to provide quality programs, receptions and other events, TFA is seeking sponsors to help defray costs without cutting back on activities. **All TFA wood industry representatives, vendors and related interests are being asked to consider a \$100, \$250, \$500, \$1,000 or other amount donation to enable us to plan this year's observance.** You will be recognized throughout the meeting and also in Treeline newsletter as well as on the TFA website as a sponsor. We will apply the donation to the activity of your choice. Please specify on the enclosed sheet the amount of your donation and the selected event you would like to sponsor, or you are welcome to check "TFA discretion".

**2017 continues to be a challenging time for all of us. Our annual meeting committee has worked hard to ensure that TFA members are offered an informative as well as fun convention at an affordable cost.** Any amount your mill or business can donate as sponsorship will sure help us out. Your generosity will support TFA's efforts to provide top-notch programs and superb entertainment everyone will enjoy. Thank you again for your support and interest in our association. Please give our office a call at 615 883-3832 or email me at [cdinwiddie@tnforestry.com](mailto:cdinwiddie@tnforestry.com) when we can be of assistance.

**Sincerely,**

**Candace Dinwiddie**  
**Executive Director**