## 2018 ANNUAL MEETING OVERVIEW

Join your friends and business associates at the beautiful Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort August 28-30, 2018, for three days of networking, learning and celebrating another year in the amazing forest industry! The majestic Atlantic Ocean pairs with Florida’s beautiful forests to serve as the backdrop for this exciting event.

The state’s largest forestry trade show is held in conjunction with the Annual Meeting, featuring exhibits by the industry’s cutting edge equipment and service providers. Don’t be left behind – schedule time to meet with all the representatives to find out the latest and greatest developments for forestry professionals in today’s marketplace!

Our goal for this event-filled three days is to help our members create new contacts, network with old friends, and access the latest and greatest industry information from the best speakers in the business. While doing all that, we hope you’ll be having so much fun you won’t even notice how hard you’re working and how very much you’re learning!

In this special edition of *Pines and Needles*, you will find all the information you need to optimize your Annual Meeting experience. If you have any questions, please call the Association office (850.222.5646). We look forward to seeing you in Amelia Island!

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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## SPEAKERS

### GENERAL SESSIONS:

**Jeff Peters** of WoodWorks will introduce cross laminated timber (CLT) with a series of project examples that demonstrate its use and associated benefits in a range of applications. CLT is an engineered wood building system designed to complement light- and heavy-timber framing options. Because of its high strength and dimensional stability, it can be used as an alternative to concrete, masonry and steel in many building types.

**Thomas Mende**, president of Klausner Trading USA, will delve into the demand for solid wood products on the world market, including the driving forces behind it and the impact they could have on Florida’s forest industry and on your business. A native of Germany, he is a veteran of the international forest industry, having worked in importing and exporting for more than two decades.

**Thomas Meth** is a co-founder and Executive Vice President of Sales and Marketing of the Enviva family of companies. He will provide an overview of the current state of the market for wood biomass, what is driving current demand, trends impacting future demand, and long-term opportunities for new applications.

## HOTEL

The luxurious Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort is nestled in the midst of 1,350 acres with 3.5 miles of private beach. You will undoubtedly be charmed by the unique blend of sea- and forest-themed decorations found throughout the resort.

To make reservations by phone, call 1.888.261.6161. To receive our special room rate of $139 (+ $7 resort fee), tell them you are attending the Florida Forestry Association Annual Meeting. To reserve online, please visit the Annual Meeting section of the Association’s website – [www.FloridaForest.org](http://www.FloridaForest.org).

Reservations must be made by August 1, 2018, to receive the special room rate.
**ROUNDTABLES/ BREAKOUT SESSIONS:**

**Damian Adams** is Associate Professor of Natural Resource Economics and Policy in the University of Florida’s School of Forest Resources & Conservation. His expertise is in economics and policy of natural resources. In this breakout session, Damian will do a deep dive into the ecosystem services provided by Florida’s working forestlands and their value to society and the economy.

**Jiri Hulcr**, University of Florida’s Forest Entomologist, will show how recent research has made significant advancements into the threats to our forests presented by pests and diseases from other continents. These species can cause tremendous, continental-scale damage, without being even considered pests before the invasion.

**MASTER LOGGER LUNCHEON:**

**Berry Johnson** and **Jessica Schetler** of John Deere’s Construction and Forestry Division will share their expertise on the latest advancements in equipment technology, including Tier 4 & 5 engines.

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**PRESIDENT’S DINNER:**

Motivational speaker **Scott Burrows** has an unforgettable, life-changing story that proves that limits can be exceeded and barriers broken. Living proof that circumstances can’t destroy the power of the human spirit, Scott will challenge you to greater heights in your personal and professional life.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**TIMBER TOPPERS GOLF CLASSIC:**

If golf is your game – or you just want to spend some fun, relaxing time on the links with friends and business associates -- the Timber Toppers Golf Classic is for you!

This year’s tournament will be played on the Omni’s incomparable Oaks Marsh course, meandering along serpentine salt marsh creeks and through the moss draped heritage oaks for which Amelia Island is famous. It is one of the truly classic Pete Dye-designed golf courses in the world. Tee time is 8 AM on Wednesday, August 29, 2018.

Annual meeting registration is not required to play, but ALL players MUST complete a registration form to secure their place in the tournament.

**SILENT AUCTION:**

What began as a novelty idea more than three decades ago has transformed into a mainstay of every Annual Meeting since. Each year we strive to expand our base of donors and our offerings. You will be the envy of your friends and associates when you walk away with the top bid on any of our fabulous items!

The Silent Auction is not only fun – it is also a boost to our Annual Meeting fundraising. Please help us put the “fun” in “fundraising”!

Here are some easy ways you can be part of this milestone event:

**Donate an item to be placed in the Silent Auction.** What sells? Just about anything ... handcrafted items, fishing and hunting trips, woodcrafts, photographs, artwork, jewelry, novelty items, tickets to sports events, children’s items, forestry-related items — you name it!

**Donate cash.** If you can’t think of an item to donate, we have an easy solution to that problem: Cash donations are accepted in any amount!

**Solicit a donation from someone you know.** Many businesses would be more than willing to donate an item if asked! All contributors are recognized in Association publications, in Annual Meeting registration information, at the Annual Meeting and at the Silent Auction. Be sure to let your prospects know that promotional flyers or business cards for distribution will be placed with their donated item if provided.

The Silent Auction will run Wednesday, August 29, 2018, from 9 AM–7 PM and Thursday, August 30, 2018, from 10 AM – 4 PM. Winning bidders can pick up their items immediately following the President’s Dinner Thursday night.

For more details, please visit the Annual Meeting section of our website or call Debbie at 850.222.5646. You do not have to decide yet what you are donating, but please let us know if you plan to participate so we can be sure to include you in our list of donors!

**FIREARM RAFFLE:** $20 donation per ticket or donate $100 and receive 6 tickets!

Winner’s Choice of any ONE of the following:

- Sig Sauer P320 9MM with Sig Sauer Romeo 1 Red Dot Sight
- Keltec KSG 12 Gauge Home Defense Shotgun holds a total of 13 3” 12 gauge shells
- Ruger PC Carbine 9MM Rifle with M0129 Black Spider Optics Red Dot Reticle (this rifle accepts magazines from the following 9MM pistols: GLOCK, Ruger SR9, Ruger American)

Drawing to be held 8/30/18 at Annual Meeting - You need NOT be present to win. Ticket stub(s) will be mailed to you with your meeting registration confirmation.

**TRADE SHOW**

Each year Florida’s largest forestry trade show is held in conjunction with the Association’s Annual Meeting. Meeting-goers should take advantage of this time to visit with our distinguished group of exhibitors to learn about the latest and greatest products, services, technology and information available to the forest industry today.

**Confirmed Exhibitors**

(as of July 19, 2018)

- Advantage Forestry Container Pines
- ArborGen Inc. SuperTree Seedlings
- Bates Hewett & Floyd Insurance Agency
- BITCO Insurance Companies/ Stoutamire-Pavlik & Associates, Inc.
- Blanton’s Longleaf Container Nursery
- Coldwell Banker Commercial Saunders Real Estate Forestry Group
- Duke Energy
- Farm Credit
- FESCO®, A Division of Oliver & Dahlman Equipment Co., Inc.
- Flag Credit Union
- Florida Chapter Association of Consulting Foresters
- Florida Forest Service
- Florida PLT and CFEOR
- Florida Tree Farm Program
- Guest Forestry Services, Inc.
- iCruisePro, LLC
- IFCO
- Jacksonville Port Authority (JAXPORT)
- LandMark Spatial Solutions, LLC
- Meeks’ Farms & Nursery, Inc.
- Natural Resource Planning Services, Inc.
- Nutrien Ag Solutions
- Outdoor Underwriters, Inc.
- Pinova, Inc. - Subsidiary of DRT
- QUADCO/Southstar
- Quality Equipment & Parts, Inc.
- Red River Specialties, Inc.
- Rex Lumber
- Ring Power Corporation
- Savannah Agro-Forestry Solutions, LLC
- Schaeffer’s Specialized Lubricants
- School of Forest Resources & Conservation, UF/IFAS SEMCO
- Southern Forestry Consultants, Inc.
- Superior Forestry Service, Inc.
- Sustainable Forestry Initiative – FL SIC
- Swamp Fox Agency
- TerraBlue Environmental LLC
- United Country-Dicks Realty LLC
- Whitfield Farms & Nursery

**SAF CREDITS**

The Florida Forestry Association Annual Meeting has been approved by the Society of American Foresters (SAF) for 5.5 hours of Category 1 and 1 hour of Category 2 Continuing Forestry Education Credits.
REGISTRATION

To register, simply fill out the form below and mail it to the Association office. The form can also be found on our website at www.FloridaForest.org. Just click the “Registration” option under the Annual Meeting tab.

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For best rates, please submit by August 1, 2018, to Florida Forestry Association/P.O. Box 1696/Tallahassee, FL 32302
Phone 850.222.5646 • Whitney@ForestFla.org • Fax 850.222.6179

Name:

Company Name: ____________________________ Email: ____________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

City: ____________________________ State: __________ Zip: __________

Phone: ____________________________ Registered Spouse’s Name: ____________________________

Please provide your cell phone number (for staff emergency contact use only): ____________________________

Your first name/nickname for your name badge: ____________________________

Registered spouse’s first name/nickname for name badge: ____________________________

Full registration includes all receptions, Trade Show Social, Awards Breakfast, roundtables, general sessions and President’s Dinner.
One Day registration includes Wednesday sessions and breaks only.
Tickets to events cannot be purchased separately in conjunction with One Day registration.
One Day spouse rates are available only with purchase of One Day registrations.
No cancellation fee is required for minor children, but tickets are required if they attend meals.
Cancellation policy: In the event of cancellation, a full refund will be made if cancellation is received by close of business August 15, 2018. Attendees not registered by August 20, 2018, must register onsite.

| Sub Total: $345 | $375 |
| One Day Registration* | $125 | $150 |
| One Day Spouse* | $50 | $60 |

With Full registration only, you may purchase tickets for additional guests for these events:

Event | Cost | Number Attending | Amount Due
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Awards Breakfast | $40 each | | |
President’s Dinner | $85 each | | |
Golf Tournament* | $95 each | | |
Master Logger Lunch** | $45 each | | |

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If requesting a special team, please list players:

Name of golfer _______________________________________ Handicap __________

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Firearm Raffle Tickets | $20 each or 6 for $100 | | |
Annual Meeting Sponsorship (Details at www.FloridaForest.org/Annual-Meeting/Sponsors) | $100 minimum | | |

Check: Enclosed is my check in the amount of $ __________, made payable to Florida Forestry Association.

Credit card: Please invoice me. My email address is ___________________________________________________________________________

Total (Registrations, Extra Tickets, Golf, Raffle Tickets, Sponsorship)

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