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**MISSISSIPPI FORESTRY  
ASSOCIATION  
78TH ANNUAL MEETING  
OCTOBER 20 - 22, 2015  
THE MILL CONFERENCE CENTER  
STARKVILLE, MS**



## MFA 2015 Annual Meeting Registration Form

We accept registrations by fax, online, and email for those paying by credit card; and by mail for check or credit card payments.

Members are encouraged to take advantage of the **early registration discount offered until September 20**. The standard fee will be in effect for registrations received between September 21 and October 13. **After October 13**, registrations must be made on-site at the hotel and a \$25 late fee will be assessed. **Refunds will only be made if MFA is notified of cancellations by October 13.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest if attending \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name as you would like for it to appear on name tag \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest name as you would like for it to appear on name tag \_\_\_\_\_

### MEETING REGISTRATION PACKAGES

*List number of packages desired in each category.*

	Early Discount MFA Member Now—Sept. 20	Standard MFA Member Sept. 21—Oct. 13
"Individual" registration to meetings, 2 breakfasts, 1 luncheon, 1 banquet and 2 receptions	_____ @\$240	_____ @\$285
"His and Hers" registration to meetings, 4 breakfasts, 2 luncheons and 1 spouse/guests tour, 2 banquets, 4 receptions	_____ @\$350	_____ @\$395
College/university forestry students—full registration (includes MFA membership)	_____ @\$50	_____ @\$50
Sponsor a Student	_____ @\$50	_____ @\$50
Golf Tournament (includes fees, cart, refreshments, lunch) Your handicap or average score _____ (required)	_____ @\$95	_____ @\$110

List names of foursome: \_\_\_\_\_

MFF Dinner at Dawg House Sports Grill \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$65

Tour of Bulldog Forest (includes lunch) (Limited Space Available) \_\_\_\_\_ @\$40

We hope you will join MFA, however if you choose to not be a member,  
please add \$150 to the MFA Meeting standard registration for the non-member fee.

**TOTAL =** \_\_\_\_\_

### Additional Activities

- ( ) Sign me up for Tree Farm Inspector Training —two or four-year graduate foresters (no extra cost)
- ( ) Sign me up for the MSU CFR Alumni breakfast (\$20 payable at the door)
- ( ) Sign me up for spouse event - spouse/guests of registrants. (no extra cost)
- ( ) Sign me up for Young Members Social at Hotel Chester (no extra cost)
- ( ) Sign me up for the Mississippi State University walking tour (no extra cost)

**Payment Method** (circle one) Check enclosed made payable to Mississippi Forestry Association

Master Card   Visa   American Express   Discover \_\_\_\_\_  
Card Number   CSV Number   Expiration Date

Billing Address for Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: MFA, 620 N. State St., Suite 201, Jackson, MS 39202-3398, fax 601.354.4937 or email [membership@msforestry.net](mailto:membership@msforestry.net)



## MFA Meeting Agenda

### Tuesday, October 20

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Bulldog Forest Tour (CFE Cat 1-CF/CLE Cat 2: 2 hours) Lunch and drinks provided.	
1 - 4:30 p.m.	Tree Farm Inspector Training (CFE Cat 1/CLE Cat I: 3.5 hours)	The Rivers Room
3 - 5:30 p.m.	MFA Annual Meeting Registration	Conference Center Lobby
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Forestry Friends Welcome Reception	Conference Center Lobby
7 p.m.	MFF Dinner at Dawg House Sports Grill	Downtown Starkville

### Wednesday, October 21

7 a.m.	MSU College of Forest Resources Alumni Breakfast (Preregister)	Mississippian A
7:30 - 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors	
7:30 a.m.	Registration and Silent Auction Open - Silent Auction	Foot Hills Room & Delta Room
9 a.m.	<b>General Session</b> Mississippian ABC (CFE Cat. 1-CF/CLE Cat. I: 3 hours)  Effects of Weather on Forestry in Mississippi <b>Dr. William H. Cooke III</b> , Department Head, Geographic Information Systems Mississippi State University Mississippi State, MS  Learning From the Past to Create More Sustainable Futures: A Case for Building With Wood <b>Jacob Gines</b> , Assistant Professor of Architecture Mississippi State University Mississippi State, MS  Plywood Manufacturing in Louisville, MS: Rising from the Rubble <b>Dr. Richard F. "Dick" Baldwin</b> , President and General Manager Winston Plywood and Veneer Louisville, MS	
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Spouse/Guests Event - The Forests and Fields of Mississippi in Floral Design The University Florist Mississippi State University	
11:30 a.m.	Lunch and Golf, Shotgun start	Starkville Country Club

12 noon	<b>County Forestry Assn. Officers/Directors Luncheon</b> (CFE Cat. 1/CLE Cat. I: 1 hour) <p>AFF &amp; ATFS: Celebrating 75 Years of Sustaining Family Forests  <b>Ken Stewart</b>, Senior Advisor for Industry Strategy  Georgia Institute of Technology  Atlanta, GA</p> <p>CFA and Tree Farm Committee Awards</p>	Mississippian A & B
2 p.m.	<b>Tech Session</b> (CFE Cat. 1-CF/CLE Cat. I: 1.5 hours) <p>Drones and Natural Resources  <b>Loren W. (Wes) Burger</b>, College of Forest Resources, Associate Director  Mississippi State University  Starkville, MS</p>	Mississippian C
2 p.m.	<b>Walking Tour of Mississippi State University</b> (limited space available)	Conference Center Lobby
3:30 p.m.	Free time to enjoy beautiful Starkville, Mississippi and Mississippi State University.	
4:30 p.m.	Association of Consulting Foresters MS Chapter Meeting	
6:30 p.m.	<b>President's Reception</b> <b>Conference Center Lobby and Exhibit Area</b>	
7 p.m.	<b>President's Banquet</b> , Presiding: <b>Dana Carl Little</b> , MFA President (CFE Cat 1/CLE Cat. I: 1 hour) <p>Speaker, <b>Mark Keenum</b>, President  Mississippi State University  Mississippi State, MS</p> <p>Awards Presentations</p>	Mississippian A & B
9:00 p.m.	<b>Young Members and Emerging Professionals Social</b> Hotel Chester	Downtown Starkville

## Thursday, October 22

7 - 9 a.m.	Exhibits Open    Exhibit Halls	
7:30 a.m.	MFA Board of Directors Meeting (CLE Cat. I: 1 hour)	Mississippian C
9 -10:30 a.m.	<b>MFA Awards Breakfast/Membership Meeting</b> (CLE Cat. I: 1.5 hours) <p><b>John Cohen</b>, Baseball Head Coach  Mississippi State University  Mississippi State, MS</p> <p>Awards Presentations</p>	Mississippian A & B
11:00 - Noon	Ethics    (CFE Cat. 1-CF/CLE Cat. I: 1 hour) <b>Butch Bailey</b> , Extension Associate Purvis, MS	Mississippian C

## **Hotel Information**

Overnight rooms are available at the Comfort Suites , Hilton Garden Inn, and Hampton Inn for \$109 per night. Hotel contact information and group codes are listed below.

### **Comfort Suites**

To make reservations call (662) 324-9595 and use group reservation code 2222984. **Reservations should be made by Monday, September 28.**

### **Hilton Garden Inn**

To make reservations call (662) 615-9664 and use group reservation code MFA. **Reservations should be made by Wednesday, September 30.**

### **Hampton Inn**

To make reservations call (662) 324-1333 and use group reservation code MS Forestry Assn. **Reservations should be made by Monday, September 28.**

## ***Additional Information***

### **Starkville Country Club** 1800 South Montgomery Street, Starkville

The 18-hole course at the Starkville Country Club facility features 6,325 yards of golf from the longest tees for a par of 72 . A hole-in-one prize of a 2015 Jeep Wrangler is offered by Mitchell Automotive West Point/Starkville. Lunch will be served prior to the shotgun start. Golf will be on Wednesday afternoon. Provide own transportation to and from golf outing. Be sure to include your handicap or average score on the registration form.

### **Tour of Bulldog Forest**

The Bulldog Forest includes over 28,000 acres of land throughout the state which benefits Mississippi State University. This tour will highlight two Bulldog Forest tracts: the John W. Starr Memorial Forest and the Andrews Forestry and Wildlife Laboratory.

### **Tour of Mississippi State University**

Spend the afternoon exploring the campus of Mississippi State University. This tour begins at the Welcome Center at the Cullis Wade Depot and involves stops at 17 historic structures and points of interest on campus.

### **Young Members and Emerging Professionals Social**

MFA invites all young members and emerging professionals to join us at Hotel Chester's beer garden on Wednesday evening. World renowned chef Gordon Ramsay designed and created the beer garden in 2013. Enjoy an assortment of Mississippi craft beer while you get to know other young members as well as seasoned forestry professionals. Cash bar.

### **Spouse/Guest Event**

Spend the day receiving hands-on instruction in floral design from Lynn McDougald at The University Florist, a professional flower shop owned and operated by the Department of Plant and Soil Sciences on the MSU campus. McDougald's dedication to her craft has earned her a number of prestigious honors. After visiting The University Florist spouses/guests will be served lunch in historic Perry Cafeteria.

### **MFA Silent Auction**

So that more MFA meeting attendees can participate in the Silent Auction, MFF will close the Silent Auction bidding at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening**. Please plan to visit the Silent Auction on Wednesday afternoon during the Free Time so you will be ready to close your bidding that evening. However, the card raffle and door prize drawings will be held on Thursday morning during the breakfast and membership meeting.

### **The Mill Conference Center**

The 10.89-acre site at the corner of Russell Street and Highway 12 features a 73,975-square-foot office and conference center with a 1,000-seat ballroom in the renovated Cooley Building. Exposed wood beams and columns, open spaces and abundant natural light are showcased throughout the building.

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