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Alabama Urban Forestry Association

Annual Conference

October 7 - 9, 2015

Hampton Inn & Suites Orange Beach

25518 Perdido Beach Blvd

Orange Beach, AL 36561



Please make plans to attend the 2015 AUFA Annual Conference in beautiful Orange Beach, Alabama! We have an excellent slate of instructors this year to provide the best and most current information in our fields. Not only that, you will be able to network and socialize (and in some cases, fish) with the best and brightest urban forestry professionals in the state. Don't forget that Thursday ends with a shrimp boil social. At the end of the day you will be well educated AND well fed!!!

With the annual conference training site on the Gulf Coast itself, you will be able to step from the classroom directly onto the beach. What more can you ask for? We hope to see you there!

Russell Stringer ~ President, AUFA

Conference Info

Easiest way to register: <http://www.2015aufa.ezregister.com>

To register by mail, complete this page and return with check (made payable to AUFA). Please register employees with individual forms. Return forms to: AUFA, PO Box 382225, Birmingham, AL 35238-2225.

Schedule of fees—check all that apply:

Full Day Pre-Conference Classes (10/7/15)

_____ Tree Board Academy \$49.00
_____ Pesticide Applicators Course \$45.00

Full Conference Registration—includes Thursday & Friday program, Thursday lunch & dinner, refreshments during conference, AUFA t-shirt, reference books and 2016 membership dues.

_____ Early Full Registration (received by September 21st) \$ 99.00
_____ Full Registration (received after September 21st) \$115.00

Partial Conference Registration Options:

_____ Thursday Educational program only (lunch & dinner) \$ 75.00
_____ Friday Outdoor Program only \$ 30.00
_____ 2016 AUFA Dues only \$ 25.00
_____ AUFA T-shirt only \$ 15.00

Pesticide Applicators Course topics include: Selecting Less Pest Prone Trees; Pesticides & The Environment; Managing Invasive Plants; ID & Management-Pine Beetles; Common & New Insect & Disease Pests of Trees in Alabama; Right of Way Integrated Vegetation Management.

Tree Board Academy will include presentations on the following topics: "Why Trees?", Care & Maintenance; Tree Biology; Tree Inventory; Tree ID, Grant Writing and 50 Trees for Alabama.

*Pesticide points are available **BOTH** 9/7 and 9/8 for ROW/FOR/OTPS/OTPC for AL/ FL/GA/MS/ TN/NC/SC. Points awarded vary by state. All three days award ISA/TCIA/RF CEUs.

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Conference Location & Hotel Reservations:

Hampton Inn & Suites, Orange Beach
25518 Perdido Beach Blvd
Orange Beach, AL 36561
Phone 251-923-4400

Room Rates:
Back Facing \$105
Side Gulf View \$115
Gulf View \$125

To reserve a room:
<http://hamptonorangebeach.com>
Group Booking Code: AUF

The special room rate will be available until September 18th, or until the group block is sold out, whichever comes first.

Conference Agenda

Wednesday October 7, 2015

Pre-Conference Concurrent Sessions
(Lunch provided)

7:30am-8:30am	Pre-Conference Registration	<i>Lisa Sosebee, Alabama Cooperative Extension System</i>
8:30am-3:45 PM	Pesticide Applicators Course	<i>Jim Cortese, BCMA & CA, TIPCO; Beau Brodbeck, CA, ACES Fred Kapp, AUFA Program Manager; Jim Jacobi, Plant Pathologist-Alabama Cooperative Extension System</i>
8:30am-4:00pm	Tree Board Academy	<i>David West, Alabama Cooperative Extension System</i>

5:00pm-7:00pm Council Meeting

7:00pm-9:00pm Opening Reception

Thursday October 8, 2015

8:00-8:30am	Conference Registration	<i>Lisa Sosebee, ACES</i>
8:30am-9:00am	Welcome AUFA Annual Report	<i>Russell Stringer, AUFA President Fred Kapp, AUFA Program Manager</i>
9:00am-10:00am	Non-Native Plant Control	<i>Mark Thomas, Forestry Wildlife Integration</i>
10:00am-11:00am	Tick Borne Illnesses	<i>Dr. Jerome Goddard, Professor of Medical & Veterinary Entomology, Mississippi State University</i>
11:00-11:15am	Break	
11:15am-12:15pm	Benefits of Pesticides	<i>Dr. Jerome Goddard, Professor of Medical & Veterinary Entomology, Mississippi State University</i>
12:15 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch (provided)	

Concurrent Sessions

	Commercial/Municipal	Utility
1:15pm-2:15pm	New Regulatory Issues Related to Herbicides and Insecticides <i>Sonja Thomas, ACES</i>	Electrical Hazards <i>Dave Kearney, Corporate Safety Director-Trees, Inc.</i>
2:15pm-3:15pm	Winners & Losers: Popular Tree Selections that Failed <i>David West, ACES</i>	Emerald Ash Borer Preparation & Mitigation <i>Dan Albright, HR/Fleet/Safety Manager-East, ACRT, Inc.</i>
3:15-3:30pm	Break	
3:30pm-4:30pm	Toomer's Oaks <i>Tommy Holcombe, Holcombe Norton Partners</i>	Changing the Safety Culture for the Tree Care Industry in 2015 <i>John Sullivan, Lewis Tree Service</i>

5:30 PM – 8:00 PM Shrimp Boil & Social !!

Friday October 9, 2015

Outdoor Program (Orange Beach Waterfront Park)

8:00 AM – 8:15 AM	Registration	<i>Hampton Inn</i>
8:15am-11:15am	Aerial Rescue/Climbing Safety	<i>Travis Morales & Rob Calley, Backridge Tree Service</i>



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