



43rd Annual Meeting

of the

Alabama Forest Owners' Association, Inc.

Tuesday and Wednesday, April 16-17, 2024

Lakepoint State Park Lodge, 104 Lakepoint Drive, Eufaula, AL 36027



To Register Online: Scan the QR Code or use <http://tinyurl.com/afoa24am>

Forestry Field Day at Pine Ridge of Alabama

1 PM, Tuesday, April 16

Location: Meet point given to registered attendees.

Description: Field Day Leader: Richard Cristan, Auburn University. Richard will focus on Best Management Practices for water quality. Attendees will meet at the field day location (self-driven).

Limited to 50 participants.

Fee: \$5.00; a General Registration is also required.



Park Naturalist Walk

3 PM, Tuesday, April 16

Location: Meet point given to registered attendees.

Description: Join Kelly Reetz, Park Naturalist, for a walk covering a variety of topics such as: Tree ID, Wildlife, Trail Building & Maintenance Suggestions, Tick-bite Prevention, Prescribed Burn, and Animal Tracks.

Limited to 20 participants.

Fee: Included with your General Registration

Reception/Social Hour

5:30 PM, Tuesday, April 16

Location: Lakepoint State Park Lodge, Eufaula, AL.

Description: Enjoy live music featuring Tommy Sellers and the Hillabee Creek Band, heavy hors d'oeuvres, and beverages while catching up with old friends and making new acquaintances with other forest land-owners. We look forward to listening to **Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain** and many others.

Fee: Included with your General Registration

YellaWood Tour

1 PM, Tuesday, April 16

Location: Meet point given to registered attendees.

Requirements: No photos. Must be able to safely/comfortably walk & climb stairs. Close-toed shoes. Personal protection equipment (hardhats, safety glasses, ear plugs, & safety vests) will be provided and must be worn. **The YellaWood Tour is FULL.**

Fee: \$5.00; a General Registration is also required.

Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge Tour

2 PM, Tuesday, April 16

Location: Meet point given to registered attendees.

Description: The tour will focus on upland & wetland habitat management. This will be a self-driven tour guided by John Earle, Refuge Manager. **Limited to 25 participants.**

Fee: Included with your General Registration

Main Conference

8 AM - 4 PM, Wednesday, April 17

Location: Lakepoint State Park Lodge, Conference Center.

Description: The General Conference will feature morning coffee with exhibitors followed by experts speaking on a variety of topics of interest to forest owners. Adam Maggard, Auburn University, will demo a **portable sawmill** throughout the day. Lunch will be provided around Noon followed by a few more speakers until the meeting adjourns around 4 PM. Door prize recipients will be selected after the last speaker.

Fee: \$65 General Registration / \$75 Late Registration begins April 1.

Forest Owner Annual Meeting Advanced Registration (Mail-in)

Please print name as it is to appear on name tag. Annual Meeting Refunds (mail-in) will be made if AFOA is notified by April 8, 2024.

Name: _____

Spouse: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

City, State, & Zip: _____

Email: _____

Annual Meeting General Registration (required for every attendee)

Reception (For a more accurate headcount)

The optional items below will overlap. Pick one per person. No meals are provided with items below.

Forestry Field Day

YellaWood Tour

National Wildlife Refuge Tour

Park Naturalist Walk

of Attendees

_____ @ \$75 per person

_____ \$75 per person after March 31

_____ @ \$ Included - - - - -

_____ @ \$5 per person

xxxx @ \$5 per person FULL

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TOTAL DUE \$ _____

Complete and return registration form with check, M.O., or credit card information below to:
AFOA - Annual Meeting, P. O. Box 361434, Birmingham, AL 35236

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Credit Card Information (In order to process, fill in all information) MasterCard or Visa Only Amount \$ _____

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 at Lakepoint State Park Lodge

8:00 AM Meet and Greet — Exhibits & Coffee Area

8:30 AM Welcome — *President Jan S. Witt*

8:35 AM Annual Business Meeting — *Jan S. Witt* presiding

PROGRAM MODERATOR: *Tim Albritton*



Sawmill Demo in Parking Area

8:45 AM EROSION CONTROL WITH BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, *Dr. Richard Cristan, College of Forestry, Wildlife & Env.*

9:10 AM TREETRACKER: MAPPING & MANAGEMENT APP, *George M. Banzhaf, TreeTracker*

9:35 AM SUCCESS STORIES: USING TIMBERLAND AS LOAN COLLATERAL, *Keith McKinley, Alabama Ag Credit*

10:00 AM Coffee Break

10:35 AM WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT: IF YOU BUILD IT..., *Dr. Will Gulsby, College of Forestry, Wildlife & Environment*

11:00 AM HERBICIDES: INCREASE TREE SURVIVAL + ROAD & TRAIL MAINTENANCE, *Michelle Isenberg, Habitat Solutions*

11:25 AM WHAT'S UNDER YOUR TREES: OIL, GAS, CRITICAL MINERALS, *Ann C. Arnold, PG, Geological Survey of Alabama*

11:50 AM Lunch

1:00 PM TOURING ALABAMA WITH FORESTERSEARCH.COM

Moderator, *Tim Albritton*

Panelists

Michael Heatherly, Sizemore & Sizemore, Inc.

Eddie Stone, Forever Green, Inc.

Kim Sparks, Sparks Forestry Services, LLC

Steve Archer, American Forest Management, Inc.



2:25 PM Coffee Break

2:55 PM ENJOYING YOUR FISH POND, *Bence Carter, Alabama Cooperative Extension System*

3:20 PM CUTTING YOUR 2025 TAX BILL: PREPARE NOW. *Orman R. Wilson, CPA, JamisonMoneyFarmer, PC*

3:45 PM Door Prizes & Adjourn by 4 PM

For room reservations at Lakepoint State Park Lodge call (334) 687-8011. To receive the special room rate, mention Alabama Forest Owners' Association - **Group Code 6542**.

Here are a few other hotels nearby in Eufaula:

Hampton Inn Eufaula - (334) 687-0777

Quality Inn & Suites Quality Inn - (334) 370-0462

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