

2009 Georgia Tree Farm Program
Too Hollie/Guerry-Beam Tree Farm Tour & Conference Activities
Savannah International Trade & Convention Center- Savannah, GA
July 18-19, 2009

Don't miss the opportunity to be one of 50 participants to join us on a Saturday tour to a Georgia Family Forest- the 1994 National Tree Farm winner- Too Hollie/ Guerry-Beam Tree Farm and hear from the family about the farms' history and from resource professionals about management techniques used on the farm. On Sunday you will hear from a variety of experts on topics invaluable to the forest landowner.

Saturday, July 18, 2009

**11:15 am Board Bus at Bryan Square at the Savannah International Trade & Convention Center (SITCC)
Eat lunch en route to Too Hollie Tree Farm**

**12:30 pm Bus arrives at Too Hollie
"Welcome to Too Hollie" -Lynda Beam and family**

***"Recreation on the Tree Farm"*- Clint Bentz, Past Chair National Tree Farm Operating Committee and member of Boldt, Carlisle & Smith, LLC- Stayton, OR**

**Load Trams for tour of 3 stations
Forest Health and Invasive Species- Chip Bates, GA Forestry Commission
Longleaf/Loblolly Pine Stand management, David Dickens, University of Georgia
Wildlife Management and Hardwood stands, Consultant**

Return to Big House -Questions/Break

5:00 Bus arrives Bryan Square

**6:00-7:30 Hosted reception at SITCC in exhibits and silent auction area
7:30 Dinner on your own**

Sunday, July 19, 2009 – All sessions at SITCC

8:00-9:15 am Prayer Breakfast – Optional cost \$31 extra/person –Westin Resort

9:30-10:30 *"Building Your Family's Ties to the Land – Practical Ideas to Help You Pass the Baton to the Next Generation"* – Clint Bentz

10:30-11:00 Refreshment Break, Exhibitor and Silent Auction visits

11:00-12:00 *"Developments in Pulp and Paper Technology"* – Dr. Ronald Russo, Institute of Paper Science and Technology, Georgia Tech

12:00-1:30 pm Luncheon – Guest Speaker: *"Why Would Anyone Want to be a Tree Farmer?"* – Clint Bentz

1:30 – 2:30 Concurrent Sessions:
(1) "Conservation Easements & Stewardship" - Buford Sanders, Georgia Forestry Commission
(2) "Federal and State Regulatory Issues" - Randy Quintrell, Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan
(3) "Logging Updates" – Tommy Carroll, Southeast Wood Producers Assoc.

2:30 – 3:00 Refreshment Break, Exhibitor and Silent Auction Visits

3:00 – 4:30 Concurrent Sessions:
(1) "Global and Domestic Market Forecasts" – Dr. Brooks Mendell, Forisk Consulting, LLC
(2) "Alternative Revenue Sources" – Michael Mengak, Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources (Invited) and Clint Williams, Pine straw Market in GA

6:00 Low Country Boil- Optional cost \$95 extra/person – Savannah Station