

2022 Tri-State Pecanference

Thursday, June 16th

9:00a Registration opens at Littlepage Farms,
297 Alford Rd, Colfax, LA

9:45 Welcome & Announcements
Trey Decker, *Convention Chairman*

10:00 – 12:00 Orchard Program

12:00 – 1:00 Picnic Lunch at orchard (provided)
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1:00 – 2:00 Orchard Program (continued)

2:00 Adjourn at orchard

2:00 Exhibit Hall Opens at Best Western Alexandria

4:00 General Membership Meetings by State

5:00 Board Meetings by State

6:00 Exhibitors' Reception in Exhibit Hall
Heavy hors d'ouvres & cash bar

Friday, June 17th

Best Western Alexandria

2720 N MacArthur Dr, Alexandria, LA

Scientific Program

Program Chair/Moderator: Rebecca Melanson,
MS State University Extension, Raymond, MS

8:30 A – 8:40 A
Welcome, Herb Vickers, *LPGA President*

8:40 A – 9:20 - Keynote Presentation: “Critical Elements in Commercial Pecan Production”, George Ray McEachern, *Professor of Horticulture, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX*

9:20 A – 9:35 A
LPGA Pecan Hall of Fame Presentation
Herb Vickers, *LPGA President*

9:35 A – 10:00 A
“Updates on Pecan Genetic Research”, Jennifer Randall, *Plant Molecular Biologist and Plant Pathologist, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM*

10:00 A – 10:15
“Seed Transmission of *Xylella fastidiosa*”, Jennifer Randall *Plant Molecular Biologist and Plant Pathologist, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM*

10:15 A – 10:45 A BREAK

10:45 A – 11:15 A
“Managing New and Old Pecan Diseases - Leaf Dieback and Scab”, Tim Brennenman, *Plant Pathologist, University of Georgia, Tifton, GA*

11:15 A – 11:45 A
“Regenerative Silvopasture”, Charlie Graham, *Senior Pecan Specialist, Noble Research Institute, Ardmore, OK*

11:45 A – 12:15 P
“How to Get the Most Out of a Low-input Pecan Orchard”, Michael Polozola, *Assistant Extension Agent, LSU AgCenter, Alexandria, LA*

12:15 P – 1:15 P Lunch (provided)
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1:15 P – 1:25 P
“American Pecan Council and American Pecan Promotion Board Updates”, Alex Ott, *Executive Director, American Pecan Council*

1:25 P – 2:15 P
Panel Discussion: “Sustainability & Marketing”
Moderator: Alex Ott, *Executive Director, American Pecan Council*
Panelists: Deborah Walden-Ralls, *Green Valley – Grower/Sheller (West/East)*; Larry Don Womack, *Womack Nursery – Grower (Central)*; Jeff Worn, *South Georgia Pecan – Sheller (East)*

2:15 P – 2:30 P
“MyIPM App for Pecans”, Rebecca Melanson, *Plant Pathologist, MS State University Extension, Raymond, MS*

2:30 P – 3:00 P BREAK

3:00 P – 3:30 P
“Pecan Insect Control in a Nutshell”, Blake Layton, *Entomologist, MS State University Extension, Starkville, MS*

3:30 P – 4:00 P
“Mating Disruption Technology to Manage Pecan Nut Casebearer and Hickory Shuckworm”, Ted Cottrell, *Entomologist, USDA ARS, Byron, GA*

4:00 P – 4:30 P
2022 Ben Littlepage Memorial Pecan Crop Estimate
Charlie Graham, *Senior Pecan Specialist, Noble Research Institute, Ardmore, OK*

4:30 Adjourn