

TENNESSEE YOUNG LEADERS CONFERENCE

Hosted by:
**Tennessee Council of Cooperatives
and
Tennessee Young Farmers & Ranchers
Cooperatively Building a Better Tennessee
February 27-28, 2015**

**Drury Plaza Hotel
1874 West McEwen Drive
Franklin, Tennessee 37067
Phone: (615) 771-6778**

FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 27, 2015

12:00 pm CST Registration (Pre-function Lobby)

1:00 pm Depart Hotel for Educational Tour
(You are encouraged to bring food donation)
Tour begins 1:30PM at [Second Harvest](#), 331 Great Circle Road,
Nashville, TN 37228, (615) 329-3491

All are welcome to arrive by 1:15PM without going to hotel first. Some vans will be available to encourage carpooling to tour site. Others can caravan with us or simply arrive at Second Harvest.

* The tour of Second Harvest on Friday includes two parts. Half the time is a tour, overview and Q&A. The other half is service time to sort cans, etc. Please participate and encourage participation. All are welcome to attend tour. Children under 12 are limited to tour and overview section.

3:30-5:00 Visit with Sponsors (Hotel Lobby)
Donate Auction Items – Franklin Ballroom

4:00-9:00 pm Photo Shoot (Hotel Lobby)
(All Cooperative Delegates, Young Farmers & County Groups)

4:30–5:00 Orientation & Door Prizes - (1st Floor – Leipers Fork Ballroom)

4:30 –6:30 Drury Plaza Kickback Buffet (Food Court)

6:30 pm Opening General Session (Franklin Ballroom)
Welcome to Tennessee Young Leaders Conference
Keith Harrison, President, Tennessee Council Cooperatives
AJ Teal, Tennessee Young Farmer & Rancher Chairman
Conference Master of Ceremonies

7:30 Entertainment: Cowboy Dan and Band

8:30 pm Ice Cream Social

SATURDAY MORNING – FEBRUARY 28, 2015

5:30-7:45 am CST Breakfast - Drury Plaza Buffet - (Leipers Fork Ballroom)

- 7:45 am General Session
AJ Teal, Tennessee Young Farmer & Rancher Chairman
- 8:00 am Ham & Issues – Informative session about issues facing rural Tennessee
Stefan Maupin & Ryan King
- 9:15 am Break Out Session A– Leipers Fork Ballroom
Preparing the Next Generation
Dr. Alanna L. Vaught, MTSU
- Breakout Session B – Franklin Ballroom
Raising the Profile of Tennessee Agriculture
Dr. Lisa Stearns, UTIA
- Breakout Session C – **OUTSIDE**
Hot Trailer Electric Demonstration
Todd Blocker, TECA
- 10:15 am Break – Drinks in Food Court (1st Floor)
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- 12:00 pm Bar B-Q Lunch Buffet - (Food Court & Leipers Fork Ballroom)
- 1:15 pm General Session (Franklin Ballroom)
- Bill Johnson, Farm Credit Mid-America CEO
- A Special Recognition to Commissioner Dan Wheeler
- ADJOURN – Free Time in Franklin**
- 2:30 pm TCC Annual Meeting & Board Meeting (Carter Room) 11th Floor

SATURDAY NIGHT – FEBRUARY 28, 2015

4:30 pm CST Drury Plaza Kickback Buffet - (Food Court)

**6:15 pm Keynote Session
 Young Farmer Video
 Keynote Speaker – Missy Jenkins, I Choose to Be Happy
 TOP FIVE County Young Farmer & Rancher Activity Awards**

7:45 AITC & John Willis Memorial Auction

**Hospitality Room (Everyone Invited Friday & Saturday night after
the Program Ends) – Lotz or Carter Room 11th Floor**

**Childcare, in Lotz Room on 11th floor, *COMPLIMENTS OF TENNESSEE FARM
BUREAU FEDERATION***