

TENNESSEE YOUNG LEADERS CONFERENCE

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Sponsored by: Tennessee Young Farmers & Ranchers
Tennessee Council of Cooperatives

Cooperatives Building a Better Tennessee

February 22-23, 2013

**Drury Plaza Hotel
1874 West McEwen Drive
Franklin, Tennessee 37067**

Phone: (615) 771-6778

FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 22, 2013

- 12:00 pm CST Registration (Pre-function Lobby)**
- 1:00 pm** **Tour departs – Select Sires, Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center - Bovine Reproductive Center & Center for Profitable Agriculture**
- 3:30-5:00** **Trade Show & Auction Donations (Leipers Fork Ballroom)
Refreshments compliments of Tennessee Young Farmers & Ranchers**
- 4:00-9:00 pm** **Photo Shoot (Hotel Lobby) – Co-op
(All Cooperative Delegates, Young Farmers & County Groups)**
- 4:30–5 :00** **Orientation & Mixer - First Time Attendees (11th Floor – Carter Room)
Keith Harrison & Brandon Whitt**
- 5:00 pm** **Drury Plaza Kickback Buffet (Franklin Ballroom)**
- 6:30** **Welcome Tennessee Young Leaders Conference
Charles Curtis, President, Tennessee Council Cooperatives**
- Jimmy McAlister, Tennessee Young Farmer & Rancher
Chairman, Conference Master of Ceremonies**
- Invocation – Josh Ogle, 2012 TN Young Farmer Achievement
Winner**
- Introductions**
- 6:45** **Sponsor Comments – Keith Harrison, Marketing, Advertising &
Promotions Coordinator, Tennessee Farmers Cooperative**
- Cooperative Video**
- 7:00** **FACCT (Farm Animal Care Coalition of Tennessee) – Lou Nave**
- 7:30** **Entertainment: TN Young Farmers Band**
- Sponsor Comments:
Steve Erickson, Dairy Farmers of America &
Jacob Sparkman, Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers**
- 8:30 pm** **Ice Cream Social**

SATURDAY MORNING – FEBRUARY 23, 2013

5:30-7:30 am CST Breakfast - Drury Plaza Hotel Buffet - (Franklin Ballroom)

7:45 am Jimmy McAlister, Tennessee Young Farmer & Rancher Chairman

Invocation – Jay Head, Tennessee Young Farmer & Rancher Vice Chair

Pledge – Jennifer Hatcher, 2012 Tennessee Outstanding Young Woman

Sponsor Comments – Todd Blocker, Tennessee Electric Cooperative Association and Greg Anderson, Bledsoe Telephone Cooperative

8:00 am Ham & Issues
Rhedona Rose & Stefan Maupin, Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation

Sponsor Comments – Bruce Bradford, River Valley Ag Credit and Emery Lewis, Co-Bank

8:45 am Break Out Sessions I – 11th Floor
A. A People Person and the Road to Success – Lisa Smartt (Lotz Room)
B. Media Relations – Heather Orne & Lee Maddox (Carter Room)

9:45 am Break Out II – 11th Floor
A. Building Strong Community and Cooperative Leadership – Steve Isaacs (Lotz Room)
B. Media Relations – Heather Orne & Lee Maddox (Carter Room)

10:30 am Refreshment Break Leipers Fork Ballroom (1st Floor)

11:00 am Break Out III – 11th Floor
A. Building Strong Community and Cooperative Leadership – Steve Isaacs (Lotz Room)
B. A People Person and the Road to Success – Lisa Smartt (Carter Room)

12:00 pm Shaffer Farms-Texas Bar B-Q Lunch Buffet - (Franklin Ballroom)

1:15 pm Jimmy McAlister, Tennessee Young Farmer & Rancher Chair

Invocation – Chaney Mosley , 2012 Tennessee Young Farmer & Rancher State Discussion Meet Winner

State Representative – Andy Holt, House Ag Committee

AFBF YF&R 2013 Chair – Zach Hunnicutt, Aurora, Neb.

Todd Blocker : A Special Recognition to – Tom Purkey, Former General Manager & Executive Vice President , Tennessee Electric Cooperative Association.

Sponsor Comments - Ricky West, Farm Credit

ADJOURN – Free Time in Franklin

2:30 pm TCC Annual Meeting & Board Meeting (Carnton Board Room) 11th Floor

SATURDAY NIGHT – FEBRUARY 23, 2013

5:00 pm CST Drury Plaza Kickback Buffet - (Franklin Ballroom)

6:15 pm Jimmy McAlister, Tennessee Young Farmer & Rancher Chair

Invocation – David Corvin, 2012 Excellence in Agriculture Winner

Introductions

Sponsor Comments: Lacy Upchurch, President, Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation

Young Farmer Video

7:15 Mike Keith – The Voice of the Tennessee Titans

TOP FIVE County Young Farmer & Rancher Activity Awards
Presentation: (1) Lincoln County, (2) Weakley County,
(3) White County, (4) Dyer County, & (5) Maury County

Chris Fleming – AITC & John Willis Scholarship Auction

7:45 AITC & John Willis Memorial Auction - Sam Tays, Auctioneer

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

Childcare will be provided during meetings only:

COMPLIMENTS OF TENNESSEE FARM BUREAU FEDERATION