

# 30<sup>th</sup> NC Commodities Conference



Program & Registration

## January 9~11, 2019

- Great Networking Opportunities
- Meet Industry Sponsors & Exhibitors
- Great Food
- Spouses Program



**Sheraton Imperial Hotel**  
**4700 Emperor Blvd., 1-40 at Exit 282 (Page Rd.)**  
**Durham, NC**

## **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2019**

Pre-Opening Reception - Imperial Ballroom - 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

## **THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019**

### **MORNING - GENERAL SESSION**

- 7:30 am      **Registration**
- 7:30 am      **Breakfast & Visit with Exhibitors** (Coffee, Biscuits, & Danish)
- 9:15 am      **Welcome “30th NC Annual Commodities Conference”** - *Bobby Skeen, Executive Vice-President, Louisiana Cotton & Grain Association, Monroe, LA*
- Introduction of Speaker** - *Rob Fleming, President, NC Cotton Producers Association*
- 9:30 am      **State of NC Agriculture & Q&A with Commissioner Troxler** - *Steve Troxler, Commissioner, NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services, Raleigh, NC*
- 10:00 am     **Small Grain Growers Annual Meeting & Efficiency Awards Program** -  
*Timmy Thomas, President, NC Small Grain Growers Association, Timberlake, NC;*  
*Dr. Angela Post, Extension Specialist Small Grain, NCSU; Dr. Tom Melton, NCCES,*  
*Agriculture and Natural Resources Program Leader, NCSU, Raleigh, NC*
- 11:00 am     **Production Management Panel: Cover Crop & Soil Health** - *Vernon Cox, Moderator, Soil & Water Conservation, NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services, Raleigh, NC; Roian Atwood, Wrangler Jeans, Greensboro, NC; Donny Lassiter, Lassiter Farms; Conway, NC; Rachel Vann, NCSU, Raleigh, NC*
- 11:30 am     **Ray Starling, Chief of Staff to United States Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue**

## **LUNCH - VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS - 12:30 PM**

### **AFTERNOON - GENERAL SESSION**

- 2:15 pm      **“Lets Get Started”** - *Bobby Skeen, Executive Vice-President, Louisiana Cotton & Grain Association, Monroe, LA*
- Introduction of Speaker** - *Farm Credit Associations of North Carolina*
- 2:30 pm      **Taking Care of Business** - *Dr. David Kohl, Professor Emeritus, Virginia Tech*
- 3:30 pm      **Soybean Production Annual Meeting & Seminar**
- Soybean Production & Efficiency Awards Program** - *Dr. Tom Melton, NCCES, Agriculture and Natural Resources Program Leader, NCSU, Raleigh, NC*
- VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS**
- 5:00 pm      **Reception in Exhibit Hall**

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2019

## MORNING - GENERAL SESSION

- 7:30 am      **Registration**
- 7:30 am      **Breakfast & Visit with Exhibitors** (Eggs, Sausage, Bacon, Breads, Juices, Coffee)
- 8:15 am      **“Good Morning”** - *Bobby Skeen, Executive Vice-President, Louisiana Cotton & Grain Association, Monroe, LA*
- 8:30 am      **Cotton Production Seminar** - *Dr. Keith Edmisten, Professor of Crop Science and Cotton Extension Specialist NCSU, Raleigh, NC; Dr. Guy Collins, Assistant Professor and Extension Cotton Agronomist, NCSU, Raleigh, NC*
- Introduction of Speaker** - *Rob Fleming, President, NC Cotton Producers Association*
- 9:00 am      **Row Crop Update 2018-19 Outlook** - *Edgar Woods, President, Palmetto Grain Brokerage, Ridgeland, SC*
- 10:00 am     **Corn Production & Efficiency Awards Program** - *Dr. Tom Melton, NCCES, Agriculture and Natural Resources Program Leader, NCSU*
- Corn Production Annual Meeting & Seminar** - *Dr. Ron Heiniger, Professor of Crop Science and Cropping Systems Specialist, NCSU, Raleigh, NC*

**Door Prize Drawing**

**Adjourn**

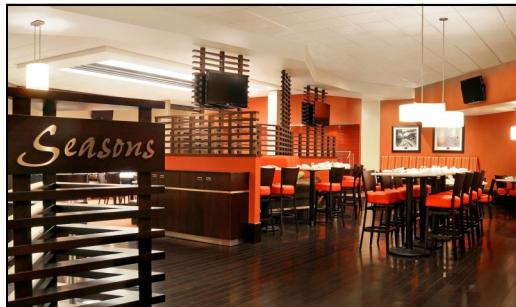
**Spouses Program**

**Thursday, January 10, 2019 -10:00 am - 3:00 pm**

## Make Your Hotel Reservations NOW!

**The number of rooms blocked for the Commodities Conference is limited, so make your reservations today!**

Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Reservation Office (919) 941-5050 or (800) 325-3535. Reservations must be received no later than **December 12, 2018**. Please mention that you are with the NC Commodities Conference so you will receive the preferred group rate **\$135.00**. Reservations are based on availability.



Program Information and Registration is also available at  
[www.nccommoditiesconference.com](http://www.nccommoditiesconference.com)

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