



TEXAS FOOD
PROCESSORS ASSOCIATION

**47th Annual TFPA Conference • Inn on Barons Creek
Fredericksburg, TX • May 14-15, 2025**

March 2025

Attention! TFPA Members and Invited Guests:

Enclosed is your annual meeting information.

Our conference this year will begin on Wednesday, May 14, at the Inn on Barons Creek, 308 S. Washington St., Fredericksburg, TX 78624. See the hotel's website for hotel details — (www.innonbaronscreek.com). The TFPA group rate is \$139 and is available only by calling the hotel at 830-990-9202 and asking for the Tx Food Processors rate. **Last day to book at the group rate is April 13.**

The meeting agenda follows but please note such highlights as educational programming beginning on Wednesday afternoon, May 14. Program will be followed by a reception on Wednesday evening.

Table top exhibits are available for \$750 per company. They will remain on display Wednesday afternoon, during the Wednesday reception and through the morning on Thursday. Please indicate your purchase of a table-top exhibit on the **registration form** in this packet. A limited number of tables are available. Exhibits are available to TFPA members only and the exhibit fee is in addition to the registration fee.

On Thursday morning educational programming will continue. You are urged to attend the presentation by Dr. Shannon Schmidt-Combest, the incoming Executive Director for TFPA as Dr. Al Wagner retires in March 2025. She will share her new role at Texas A&M and vision for the TFPA.

Thursday a special luncheon featuring presentation of scholarship winners, Hall of Fame presentation, and a keynote speaker takes place at noon on Thursday. Thursday evening highlights are dinner, retirement reception for Dr. Wagner and Cindy Wise, and scholarship auctions.

In the event that you cannot attend the conference but would like to attend the Thursday evening dinner and auction, we are offering that option for \$100. Please use the registration form to purchase. You can also take advantage of this offer if there are additional persons from your company coming only on Thursday night.

Please mark your calendar and complete the enclosed registration form. **Mail or email** your completed forms to TFPA, P.O. Box 341, College Station, TX 77841. **Email:** cindy@tfpa.org

Please note at the bottom of the registration form the option of a secure online payment.

We look forward to seeing you in Fredericksburg this May.

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May 14-15, 2025 • Inn on Barons Creek, Fredericksburg
AGENDA

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

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| 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Board Meeting, Inn on Barons Creek |
| 12 Noon | Registration open; set up exhibits, Inn on Barons Creek |
| 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. | Table Top Exhibits open |
| 2:00 – 2:45 p.m. | TFPA Business Meeting (all members) |
| 2:45 – 3:15 p.m. | “Better Resources for Our Membership” — Davonna Koebrick, Food Safety Officer/Program Supervisor, TX Dept. of State Health Services, Austin, TX |
| 3:15 – 3:30 p.m. | Break |
| 3:30 – 4:00 p.m. | “Texas Wine Industry Update” — Dr. Justin Scheiner, Assoc. Prof. of Viticulture and Enology, TAMU |
| 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. | Wine Tasting, led by Dr. Scheiner |
| 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. | Reception for All Registered Attendees, Heavy Hors D’oeuvres |

Thursday, May 15, 2025

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| 9:00 a.m. – Noon | Table Top Exhibits open, Inn on Barons Creek |
| 9:00 – 9:45 a.m. | “Legislative Update” — Patrick Firth, Constitution Partners, Washington, DC |
| 9:45 – 10:30 a.m. | “Factors Driving the Economics of the Ag Industry” – Scot Vidrine, Capital Farm Credit, Austin, TX |
| 10:30 a.m. | COFFEE BREAK |
| 10:45 – 11:30 a.m. | “Transportation Update” – Rodney Nye, JB Hunt |
| 11:30 – 11:45 a.m. | “Extension Food Science Update” – Dr. Shannon Schmidt-Combest |
| 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | LUNCHEON at Nimitz Hotel
Scholarship presentations; Hall of Fame Presentation
<u>Keynote Speaker</u> : Tammy Pack, “Mastering the Art of the Restart” |
| 3:00-5:00 p.m. | Optional Wine Tour – see enclosed page for details |
| 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. | Silent Auction, Dinner, Retirement Celebration and Live Auction – at Nimitz Hotel |

REGISTRATION FORM

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Please print or type names as they should appear on name badges:

Name _____ Spouse* _____

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<u>Registration fees are as follows:</u>	<u>Amount enclosed</u>
First registrant from your company	\$350 each _____
NON-MEMBER registrant	\$450 each _____
Additional registrants from your company (either member or nonmember)	\$300 each _____
Thursday Night Dinner and Auction Only (not attending rest of conference)	\$100 each _____

*SPOUSES MAY ATTEND CONFERENCE FOR FREE – NO REG FEE REQUIRED
Registration fee includes reception, luncheon, dinner, coffee breaks, all meetings and functions.

Other items, contributions, etc. (fill out corresponding contribution forms and send with this reg form)

Annual Meeting Contribution (fill out enclosed form) _____

Raffle Tickets (fill out enclosed form) _____

Scholarship Cash Contribution (fill out enclosed form) _____

Auction or Theme Table Contribution (fill out enclosed form) _____

Dove Hunt (Hunt With Heroes) (fill out enclosed form) _____

Table Top Exhibit: \$750 _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

****How many from your company will attend the following functions, including spouses:**

Wed evening reception _____ **Thursday Luncheon** _____ **Thursday Dinner/Auction** _____

Method of Payment: _____ Check _____ Credit Card

Credit Card Number: _____ EXP DATE _____ SEC CODE _____

NAME ON CREDIT CARD: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Complete and return with payment to: TFPA, P.O. Box 341, College Station, TX 77841
Email: cindy@tfpa.org

SECURE ONLINE PAYMENT: If you prefer to submit your credit card info online rather than entering on this form, use this quick link but please email the registration form to Cindy and note that you paid online.
<https://quickclick.com/r/eaqce>

Annual Meeting Contribution Form
Attn: All TFPA Members!

The 47th Annual TFPA Conference is requesting your assistance. This year's meeting will be May 14-15 at the Inn on Barons Creek, Fredericksburg, TX. TFPA continues to be committed to providing our members with a networking forum that provides information, services, support and strengthens the food processing industry in Texas. However, we need your financial help.

Your contribution to the annual meeting fund provides support for the scheduled events, assists in obtaining interesting speakers, and helps keep membership & registration fees low.

All Meeting Contributors will be recognized in our printed program at the following levels:

Annual Meeting Contribution (please specify amount)

_____ \$600 and over	GOLD
_____ \$400 - \$599	SILVER
_____ \$200 - \$399	BRONZE

Your name: _____

Company name: _____

----NOT NECESSARY TO FILL OUT INFO BELOW IF SENDING THIS WITH REGISTRATION FORM----

If sending this contribution in separately from conference registration, please send this form and your contribution to TFPA, P.O. Box 341, College Station, TX 77841

Email: cindy@tfpa.org

If paying with credit card, please complete following information:

Card Number: _____

Exp. Date: _____ Sec Code: _____ Phone: _____

Name on Card: _____

Billing Address: _____

Link to secure online payments:

<https://quickclick.com/r/eaqce>

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2025 DONATION FORM – LIVE OR SILENT AUCTION

_____ **I would like to donate the following to the TFPA Scholarship Auction:**

Description of Product(s), Service or Gift Certificate to be Donated: _____

If item is tickets to an event for example, please include details such as locations, number of seats, dates, expiration dates, excluded dates, restrictions, etc.

Approximate value of above named contribution: _____

**PLEASE EMAIL OR MAIL THIS DONATION FORM TO TFPA NO LATER THAN
May 6 TO HAVE ITEMS AND INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE AUCTION!**

TFPA: P.O. Box 341, College Station, TX 77841

Email: cindy@tfpa.org

Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. TFPA Scholarship Foundation is a 501 (c) 6 organization representing food processing companies engaged in the manufacturing of food and allied products. The group is dedicated to supporting and promoting the achievement of young men and women in the field of food science and food technology.



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2025 Scholarship Foundation Cash Donation

_____ I would like to make a monetary donation to the Texas Food Processors Scholarship Foundation in the amount of \$_____, or as noted on the donation level indicated below.

Donation Levels (please specify the amount of your donation) :

_____ \$0 - \$999 – All donors at this level will receive recognition in the conference program if received prior to May 1.

_____ \$1,000+ – All donors at this level will receive recognition in the conference program if received prior to May 1.

_____ \$2,500+ – All donors at this level will receive recognition in the conference program and special recognition during the conference and auction, if received prior to May 1.

_____ \$5,000+ – All donors at this level will receive recognition in the conference program, special recognition during the conference awards luncheon, and recognition during the auction, if received prior to May 1.

Please send this form and your contribution to TFPA or mail form in along with your conference registration.

TFPA Scholarship Foundation, P.O. Box 341, College Station, TX 77841

(If mailing a separate check for this contribution, please make check payable to TFPA Scholarship Foundation)

Questions: email Cindy@tfpa.org

If paying with credit card, email or mail this form to address above

SECURE ONLINE PAYMENT: If you prefer to submit your credit card info online rather than entering on this form, use this quick link but please email the form to Cindy and note that you paid online – you do not need to fill in the credit card info below. You will receive a receipt via email.

<https://quickclick.com/r/eaqce>

Card Number: _____ Exp Date _____ Security Code _____

Name on Card: _____

Billing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____



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2025 Theme Table Sponsorship Information

Please consider being one of our \$1,500 Theme Table Sponsors for our Raffle to be held during the Scholarship Auction on Thursday evening, May 15. Raffle tickets for these Theme Tables will be sold in advance and at the event. Your sponsorship includes:

- Signage recognition on theme table, company information will be displayed
- There can be up to 3 sponsors per table
- Company information may be placed on the theme table for full sponsors
- Special recognition in the conference program if turned in **prior to May 1.**
- Verbal recognition during the conference and auction

___ **YES**, I would like to sponsor one of the theme tables at a cost of \$1,500

Please indicate how you wish your company name to appear: _____

Contact person: _____ Email: _____

What is a theme table? We take the money of the generous donors and purchase a group of items that go together to match a theme. Past examples are a smoker table with a smoker, pellets, cookbook, and spices. Participants drop tickets in a bucket to enter a raffle for that theme table. We usually have about 4 theme tables depending on the amount of donations."

Raffle Ticket Purchase Information

I would like to pre-buy the following tickets for my chance to win one of the Theme Tables discussed above. I understand that the value of the items on the table will be approximately \$1,000 in value. Please be sure to give any of your co-workers who cannot attend the conference the opportunity to purchase tickets in their name (winner does not have to be present to win). Raffle Tickets will be distributed at the conference. Raffle Tickets will also be available for sale at the conference.

___ Single Tickets at \$20 each \$___

___ 10 Tickets for \$150 \$___

___ 25 Tickets for \$250 \$___

Winners will be drawn during the Live Auction on May 15.

Name: _____ Email: _____



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HUNT WITH HEROES!

TFPA'S 14th Annual Warriors Skeet Shoot and Dove Hunt

Our 14th annual event honoring our wounded warriors will take place on **Oct. 5, 2024** starting around 1 p.m. and TFPA wants to encourage everyone to attend and support our organization and our troops. This is a great event for the entire family. If you cannot attend, we strongly encourage you to consider making a donation to the TFPA Scholarship Foundation designated for this event. Monies donated will be split between the TFPA Scholarship Foundation and the Combat Marine Outdoors organization (combatmarineoutdoors.org — a 501(c) (3) corporation) that provides wheelchairs, transportation and outings for wounded warriors from the various bases and military hospitals around San Antonio. We will have 100+ warriors and possibly more from past wars along with their families for this special event.

The Texas Food Processors Association had its first annual dove hunt in the fall of 2010 with over 30 participants from TFPA and the fine company of 20 wounded warriors. This event is designed to be a family fun event for TFPA members and their guests, to raise monies for the Scholarship Foundation and also as a way for us to show our appreciation to the fine men and women of our military forces. Even if you are not a hunter, your support and participation is meaningful. I hope you are willing to step up and sponsor one of our wounded warriors. Please see all the details below and feel free to contact John Vollmer or Greg Hanks to discuss.

Enter your purchase on registration form now or purchase during auction in May

- COST:** \$300 per hunter (for a TFPA member and/or their invited guests)
\$300 to sponsor a Combat Marine Outdoors participant
- DATE:** Saturday, Oct 4, 2025; starting at 1 p.m.
- WHERE:** Just outside Jourdanon, TX, approx. 45 miles south of San Antonio
- INCLUDES:**
- Dove hunting and skeet shooting
 - Dinner & libations: BBQ and tea, with all the trimmings
 - Live country music to enjoy as you sit under the live oaks and finish the evening visiting with friends
 - Great fellowship with some of America's finest soldiers who have sacrificed so much for our freedoms!

CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE TO THE EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW.

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Wine Tasting in the Hill Country

Thursday, May 15, 2025 • 3-5 p.m.

Choose one of the three wineries featured below and use the link provided for that winery to go online and book your spot and make your payment. Be sure to reference TFPA when booking so that you will be grouped with TFPA attendees.

(Everyone must book their own tour through the selected winery!)

A Shuttle Service will be conducted by 290Wine Tours, picking up at 3 p.m. and returning at the Inn on Barons Creek

Grape Creek Winery (*Reference TFPA when booking*)

Link: <https://heathfamily.txt-us.co/5UDgNA1D>

On the 290 Vineyards page, go to the Classic Tasting and select “Learn More” to register. You will be able to select May 15 at 3:30 pm for your time. Tastings are \$30/per person + tax

Slate Theory Winery (*Reference Katie Lee TFPA when booking*)

Production tour and tasting - Starts at 4pm

Tour and tasting is \$45/person + tax

Link: <https://www.slatetheory.com/>

Go to the Reservation page and follow the prompts to register for May 15 at 4 p.m.

Safari Winery (*Reference TFPA when booking*)

Email: info@safariwinery.com or call 830-998-5956 to make your reservation for May 15

Tasting is \$35/per person +tax