

THE TEXAS COTTON ASSOCIATION **PRESIDENT, SAM CLAY**

of TOYO Cotton Co., Dallas, Texas

invites you to celebrate the TCA 110th Anniversary Convention

COTTON: A FIELD OF DREAMS

to be held at the

Grand Galvez Resort & Spa, Galveston, Texas

April 20, 21, & 22, 2022

TCA History...

110 years ago, the first convention of The Texas Cotton Association was held at the Hotel Galvez on March 23, 1912. The previous year, on February 16, 1911, a committee selected to secure the charter met in the lobby bar of the Hotel Galvez, just prior to “Her Majesty’s” grand opening, to draft our Articles of Incorporation and to discuss trading rules to be adopted. The eight founding members of this association that met at the Galvez on that day were Anderson Clayton & Co., Crespi & Co., Evans & Co., W.D. Felder & Co., J.L. Goldman & Co., H. Kempner, George H. McFadden & Bro., and P.G. Pauls & Co. The following day, on February 17, 1911, a final meeting in Waco, Texas, resulted in the permanent organization of the Texas Cotton Association. The State of Texas issued the charter for this association on March 20, 1911. We have had more conventions at the Galvez than any other hotel in our history which prompted a quote on March 12, 1982, by former TCA President Eduardo Esteve, Sr., in his address to the members,

“We regard Galveston as a homecoming for our members.”

Grand Galvez Hotel Reservations & Information...

The convention will be held on April 20, 21 & 22, 2022, at the Grand Galvez Resort & Spa, located at 2024 Seawall Blvd., Galveston, Texas, 77550. For HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS, please call 409.515.2154 and mention the Texas Cotton Association convention. Our special guest room rate of \$172.00 plus tax and is extended until the deadline of April 4, 2022, at which time the hotel will release any unsold rooms back into general inventory. The hotel requires first night’s deposit to guarantee individual reservations. You may cancel your reservation up to 72 hours prior to arrival without penalty. Valet parking is \$20.00 and self-parking is \$12.00. Check-in time is 4:00 p.m., and check-out time is 12:00 p.m. Galvez offers our attendees 20% off Spa Services (reservations encouraged) Sunday through Thursday. Complimentary wireless internet is available throughout the hotel. We have secured a small block of 10 additional rooms 3 days pre/post-convention at the room rate should you choose to come early and stay late based on availability. Complimentary bottled water and coffee is provided in the guestrooms.

Convention Registration...

Registering to attend the 110th Anniversary Convention is a breeze when you use our secure auto pay feature! Follow the quick links to online registration form or forms to fax and mail. These forms are also located under “Convention 2022” in the drop-down menu located in the header on our website. The convention TCA member registration fee is \$295.00 for each member firm representative - TCA Merchants, Primary Buyers and Associate members. The non-TCA member rate is \$395 per firm representative. Spouse registration is \$100. Guests are complimentary and include those from Press, government, affiliated cotton organizations and executive leadership from other cotton organizations, honorary members, and retired from industry. Registrations received after the April 4th deadline will be increased by \$25 per registered guest. Our pre-registration procedure is designed to make it easy for you to pick-up your convention materials and your name badge when you arrive. It will also help us to guarantee meal functions and meeting room set-ups. Your registration entitles you to a name badge which will serve as your ticket to all functions, including the Golf Scramble! You must be registered to play golf. Our secure credit card processor accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover. Be watching your e-box for updates...

Join Texas Cotton Club & Grand Galvez Giveaway...

You will also find a place on the registration form to contribute \$10 to the Texas Cotton Club for 2022 annual convention. The Texas Cotton Club was established as an integral part of providing an exceptional organization for members. Since meeting registration fees don't cover the full cost of TCA meetings, these extra dollars create opportunities for industry cohesiveness and growth that may not otherwise exist. Participation in the annual meeting fund by members and other interested parties is important, because it indicates the depth and breadth of confidence by those closest to the association and our Texas cotton industry. Every donor and every gift are vital to maintaining the ongoing strength of The Texas Cotton Association, year after year. Texas Cotton Club members will also be recognized in the printed materials at our convention and receive one raffle ticket to be drawn for just participating members of The Texas Cotton Club. Look for your badge ribbon designating your membership when you pick up your registration materials!

The registration form also provides an opportunity to play the Texas Cotton Raffle – Grand Galvez Giveaway! Indicate how many tickets you would like to buy. (Buy 5 tickets for \$5 each and get a 6th one FREE! Buy more than five and increase your chance to win great prizes!

Look for your ticket stubs behind your name badge and listen for your name to be called during the Friday morning General Session Awards Ceremony for prizes and gifts.

Wednesday, April 20, 2022

The convention will follow a usual three-day format beginning with the TRIATHLON FISHING TOURNAMENT event beginning Wednesday morning to be held at JUST CAST FISHING CHARTERS located at 715 North Holiday Drive, Pier C at Slips# 18-20, Galveston, Texas, 77550, 409.209.7999. Limited to the first 24 fisherman, the trip will include 4 boat teams of six men, a captain and deckman on each 24' Parker for a ½ day Jetty trip. They will provide rods, reels, tackle, bait ice and cleaning the catch. You may bring your own equipment. You will need to bring a hat,

sunglasses, fishing license and camera. Snacks and drinks will be provided. They ask that no liquor, glass containers, drugs, or firearms be brought onboard. Fishing licenses may be obtained online or purchased at the Marina upon arrival by bus from the hotel. Live shrimp is included in all trip pricing. Live finfish (croaker) is available for an additional fee by contacting them in advance. A bus will transport fisherman round trip from the hotel, or you may drive to the location where there is parking available. They suggest you arrive at the Marina by 10:00 a.m., for a tournament that will begin at 11:00 a.m. and last until 4:00 p.m.

A second optional activity will include a round trip excursion to the historic GALVESTON STRAND will leave the hotel at 10:00 a.m. and return at 4:00 p.m., for you to enjoy a day on your own or with cotton friends. There are many interesting things to see in Galveston! The Galveston Convention and Visitors Bureau has recently launched the “Visit Galveston Savings Pass” which is a mobile pass offering discounts to over 20 local restaurants, attractions, art galleries and boutiques. It’s FREE by using our promo code “COTTON22”.

Later Wednesday from 5-6:00 p.m., the TRIATHLON event featuring all MARKET PROGNOSTICATION PLAYERS will gather in a hospitality room to check the out market and congratulate the winners of the market guess game. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

President Sam Clay will host a one-hour GOLF CALCUTTA from 6-7:00 p.m., for attendees to come bid on your winning team or teams! We’ve added this exciting component to get ready for our TCA DALCOT TRIATHLON event!

Come greet all attendees at the WELCOME TO TEXAS RECEPTION to be held from 7-9:00 p.m., outside the resort in the Oleander Garden.

Thursday, April 21, 2022

A NETWORKING BREAKFAST LOUNGE will be served during the policy meetings on Thursday morning from 7:30 until 10:00 a.m.

Transportation will be provided for those that will be playing in the TCA DALCOT GOLF TRIATHLON. The bus will depart the hotel at NOON for a shot gun start at 1:00 p.m., at MOODY GARDENS GOLF CLUB, located at 1700 Sydnor Lane, Galveston, 77554, a premier public course on Galveston Island.

At 6:00 p.m., the GHOSTS OF THE GRAND GALVEZ will welcome you on a tour of their usual ghostly appearances at the hotel. Join others in the lobby to familiarize yourself with the paranormal activity at the Galvez.

From 7-8:00 p.m., we will meet with our transportation partners for the ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION RECEPTION to be held outside on the Centennial Lawn. Immediately following the reception, The PRESIDENTIAL DINNER & DANCE honoring TCA PRESIDENT SAM CLAY, and featuring entertainment by the ZIGGYBAND, will be held in the Music Hall from 8-10:30 p.m.

Friday, April 22, 2022

The GENERAL SESSION SEATED BREAKFAST MEETING AND AWARD CEREMONY beginning at 8:30 a.m., will feature the annual address of TCA President Sam Clay of TOYO COTTON CO., Dallas, Texas; an ACSA Update from President William H. (Buddy) Allen and a Texas Outlook from Kody Bessent, Executive Vice President of Plains Cotton Growers, Lubbock, Texas. The winners of the TRIATHLON event Trophies, cash awards and other prizes will be recognized including the **TCA SILVER CHALLENGE CUP** awarded to the top competitor in all three divisions.

The EXECUTIVE BUSINESS SESSION for Merchant and Primary Marketing Members only will meet immediately following the General Session.

In the same room following the Executive Session, the NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS will meet briefly for a few housekeeping matters followed by Board Pictures.

Meeting Attire...

Business Casual for the Policy Meetings; Resort Cotton Casual for the Receptions and Dinner



We look forward to seeing YOU in Galveston at the recently renovated **“HER MAJESTY” – the GRAND GALVEZ**. Seaside Hospitality, a real estate developer in Dallas, bought the hotel from the Mitchell family. They have restored all the historical elements and enriched her royal presence. They have procured an Italian Calacatta Marble Fountain from Milan, Italy arriving Spring 2022! Enjoy the rendering! Until we meet again, obsess about being at the new Grand Galvez where the cotton voices of those that have gone before us never wavered about what we know to be true today! ...

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