



# "GEAUX" (GO) LOGGING!

# AMERICAN LOGGERS COUNCIL ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 17–19, 2025 • LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

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## Welcome to Lafayette, Louisiana!

We are thrilled to invite you to the 2025 Annual Meeting of the American Loggers Council, where this year's theme - "Geaux (Go) Logging!" - celebrates the energy, advocacy, and momentum driving our industry forward.

This special event is proudly hosted by the Louisiana Loggers Association, the Louisiana Logging Council, and the Southern Loggers Cooperative, in partnership with the American Loggers Council. Together, we're honored to welcome you to the heart of Acadiana - Cajun Country - from September 17–19, 2025, at the DoubleTree by Hilton Lafayette. Nestled along the scenic Vermilion River, the hotel perfectly balances Louisiana's laid-back charm and lively spirit, offering an on-site restaurant, a relaxing lounge, and an outdoor pool.

Lafayette is a vibrant and historic city known for its rich culture, incredible cuisine, and infectious music - the perfect backdrop for celebrating logging, leadership, and Louisiana hospitality.

Our program begins Wednesday afternoon with registration opening at 2:00 PM. That evening, we'll kick off the event with a festive Welcome Reception, featuring hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, live zydeco music, and opportunities to reconnect with friends and colleagues.



Thursday is devoted to professional enrichment and regional exploration. Attendees will take part in an in-depth industry tour, including a visit to an active logging operation, a RoyOMartin OSB production facility, and a U.S. Forest Service site in the Kisatchie National Forest. This immersive experience showcases Louisiana's timber legacy and the innovative practices shaping its future. For our guests, we're also offering two Ladies Day excursions: a serene garden and mansion tour at Jefferson Island, or an exciting swamp boat tour through the Atchafalaya Basin. The day wraps up with the President's Welcome Reception, the always-popular Log A Load for Kids Auction, and a dinner buffet.

Friday focuses on business and celebration. The day begins with the Board of Directors and Full Membership meetings, followed by our Awards Luncheon, where we'll recognize outstanding individuals and hear from our keynote speaker. That evening, we'll gather for the President's Farewell Reception and Banquet Dinner - a formal occasion to honor achievements, reflect on the year, and pass the gavel to new leadership. Please consult the registration brochure for complete event details and to reserve your place.

Whether you're here for business insight, industry camaraderie, family-friendly fun, or genuine Southern hospitality, we're delighted to have you join us. With its deep forestry roots and unwavering commitment to the logging profession, Louisiana is the ideal host for this year's gathering.

We look forward to celebrating with you - let's "Geaux" Logging!

Warm regards, Louisiana Loggers Association Louisiana Logging Council Southern Loggers Cooperative American Loggers Council

#### Brand Exposure Made "Big Easy"

Each year, 300+ timber industry professionals from more than 47 states come together for the ALC Annual Conference - and your brand can be right at the heart of it.

To learn more about the conference and event sponsorship opportunities available for your brand to "Geaux Big in the Big Easy" and connect with ALC members, partners, and stakeholders from across the country, visit: www.americanloggerscouncil.com/events

# 2025 "GEAUX" (GO) LOGGING CONFERENCE AGENDA

All conference event spaces\* are located on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the **DoubleTree by Hilton Lafayette Hotel** unless otherwise noted.

\*Assigned spaces are subject to change

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

2:00 PM — 6:00 PM Registration Desk Officially Opens Conference check-in, vendor set up, and auction item drop off

5:00 PM – 6:30 PM Welcome Cocktail Reception Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails and live zydeco band

**Note: There will not be a dinner service at the Welcome Cocktail Reception**. Attendees are encouraged to make reservations at the onsite SoLA Restaurant or venture to one of the many excellent restaurants near the hotel.

## **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

Registration Desk Open from 6:30 AM – 3:00 PM in the Portico Foyer

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Breakfast Buffet Open breakfast buffet Salons ABC

ALC-SPONSORED EXCURSIONS						
Transportation, lunch, and ticket (if applicable) costs are covered by ALC						
7:30 AM – 4:00 PM	Mill Tour & Logging Equipment Demo	RoyOMartin OSB Plant Tour, Walsh Industries Logging Site Tour, and Kisatchie National Forest Site Tour	all excursions depart from			
8:00 AM – 2:30 PM	Ladies Day Option 1: Jefferson Island Tour	Rip Van Winkle's mansion and garden tour	the hotel lobby			
8:00 AM – 2:30 PM	Ladies Day Option 2: Bayou Air Boat Ride	Swamp boat tour in the Atchafalaya Basin				
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5:30 PM – 9:30 PM

President's Welcome Reception and Hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, and buffet Grand dinner with auction Ballroom

## **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

Registration Desk Open from 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM in the Portico Foyer

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	Breakfast Buffet	Open breakfast buffet	Salons ABC
8:15 AM – 10:30 AM	ALC Board of Directors Meeting	Board Members and Association Executive Directors only	Salon D
10:45 AM – 11:45 AM	Full ALC Membership Meeting	All members invited	Salon F
12:00 PM – 1:45 PM	Awards Luncheon	Lunch with special guest speaker	Salons ABC
5:30 PM – 9:30 PM	President's Farewell Reception & Banquet Dinner	Hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, and plated dinner with passing of the gavel	Salons ABDE

# **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS THAT "GEAUX" BIG**

A special thank to the **ALC Platinum and Gold Associate Members** (\$15,000+) that "GEAUX" big in their support for logging industry professionals.

Visit americanloggerscouncil.com/membership to learn more about our Associate Member program!

#### PLATINUM SPONSORS

## **GOLD SPONSORS**

Salons ABC







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\* BITCO INSURANCE COMPANIES





# 2025 LADIES DAY EXCURSION OPTIONS

Whether your pace is **graceful gardens** or **gallivantin' with gators**, this year's conference has a Ladies Day Excursion option made just for you! Below are details about each experience available to find **YOU** in the **BAYOU**!



## **MANSION TOUR MANSION TOUR**

Step into Southern elegance with a visit of **Rip Van Winkle Gardens** on Jefferson Island, the former hunting retreat of actor Joseph Jefferson, who famously portrayed *Rip Van Winkle* over 4,500 times on stage. Enjoy a guided tour of the Victorian mansion, stroll through 15 acres of semi-tropical gardens nestled among 350 year old oak trees, and enjoy the sights and sounds of the over 260 species of birds that call Jefferson Island home. Dress comfortably for outdoor walking - we recommend light layers and closed-toe shoes. After the tour, **relax with a group lunch at Café Jefferson, overlooking scenic Lake Peigneur**. With cool indoor stops and a peaceful pace, this outing is a serene and scenic Louisiana experience.

Learn More Before You GEAUX: Visit ripvanwinklegardens.com for details on these beautiful grounds.



# OPTION 2: ATCHAFALAYA BASIN SWAMP TOUR

Put on your comfy clothes and shoes and get ready to glide in a covered airboat through the mysterious beauty of the Atchafalaya Basin, America's largest freshwater swamp. On this 1.5-hour guided adventure, you'll encounter towering bald cypress, migratory birds, and maybe even a gator or two - all while hearing unforgettable stories of the bayou from local guides. After the ride, **enjoy a Louisiana-style group lunch and zydeco music at Turtle's Bar**, with time to browse the gift shop before heading back. Seating is limited, so don't wait to secure your spot to geaux wild in the bayou!

Learn More Before You GEAUX: Visit <u>basinlanding.com</u> for details on this wild-life adventure!

# **LET'S GET READY TO "GEAUX"**

Whether you're flying in or driving down, we've got everything you need to make your arrival smooth and your stay comfortable. From hotel details to nearby airports, it's all here to help you get settled and "geaux" enjoy everything Lafayette has to offer.



#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

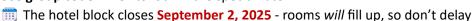
#### **DoubleTree by Hilton Lafayette Hotel**

We've reserved a block of rooms at the **DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Lafayette** - your home base for the 2025 ALC Annual Meeting.



**1-800-222-8733 1-800-222-8733** 

Use group code "ALC" to lock in the special rate





- 2 Double Beds (Nonsmoking): \$134/night\*
- 1 King Bed (Nonsmoking): \$159/night\*

\*rates subject to state and local taxes



#### **LOCAL AIRPORTS**

#### Lafayette Regional Airport (LFT)

- 3 miles from hotel
- Complimentary hotel shuttle available

#### Baton Rouge Metropolitan/Ryan Field (BTR)

- 64 miles from hotel
- No shuttle is available

# 2025 "GEAUX" (GO) LOGGING REGISTRATION FORM

#### TO PAY WITH CREDIT CARD, REGISTER ONLINE AT: WWW.AMERICANLOGGERSCOUNCIL.COM/EVENTS COMPANY INFORMATION Company Name: City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: Zip: Mailing Address: Logging Association Name\*: \*Put "NA" if you are not a logging association member **GUEST DETAILS** Please complete the guest details below for each conference participant. (Complete and attach additional forms if registering more than two guests.) To purchase tickets for non-conference participants to attend one or both President Receptions, please contact ALC: office@americanloggerscouncil.com or 906-875-3720. **GUEST 1 GUEST 2** ☐ MR. ☐ MRS. ☐ MS. ☐ MR. ☐ MRS. ☐ MS. Name: Name: Phone: Phone: Food Restrictions: Food Restrictions: **EVENT REGISTRATION** PLEASE ONLY CHECK THE EVENTS EACH GUEST WILL ATTEND \*Though all meals and excursions are included with conference registration, this helps ensure we have an accurate count. Thank you!\* **GUEST 1 GUEST 2** WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM Hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, and live zydeco band Welcome Cocktail Reception THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 **Breakfast Buffet** 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Open breakfast buffet ALC-SPONSORED EXCURSION OPTIONS — All excursions depart from the hotel lobby - transportation, lunch, and ticket (if applicable) costs are covered by ALC. Mill Tour & RovOMartin OSB Plant, Walsh Industries 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM **Logging Equipment Demo** Logging Site, Kisatchie National Forest Site Ladies Day Excursion Option 1: 8:00 AM - 2:30 PM Rip Van Winkle's mansion and garden tour Jefferson Island Tour \_\_\_\_\_ **Ladies Day Excursion Option 2:** 8:00 AM - 2:30 PM Swamp boat tour in the Atchafalaya Basin Bayou Air Boat Ride \_\_\_\_\_\_ President's Welcome Reception and Hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, and buffet dinner 5:30 PM - 9:30 PM П П "Log A Load For Kids" Auction\* with auction FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 **Breakfast Buffet** 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Open breakfast buffet Board Members and Association Executive **ALC Board of Directors Meeting** 8:15 AM - 10:30 AM Directors only **Full ALC Membership Meeting** 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM All members invited 12:00 PM - 1:45 PM Lunch with special quest speaker **Awards Luncheon** Hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, and plated dinner 5:30 PM - 9:30 PM **President's Farewell Reception** П with passing of the gavel PAYMENT DETAILS

 Cost /Ticket

 Guest 1
 @ \$400.00
 = \$

 Guest 2
 @ \$400.00
 = \$

 OPTIONAL: Monetary "Log A Load For Kids" Auction Donation\*
 = \$

 TOTAL PAYMENT TODAY
 = \$

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE AND MAIL WITH COMPLETED FORM TO:

American Loggers Council
1455 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 400
Washington, DC 20004

<sup>\*</sup> if making a monetary donation - please complete and return a copy of the "2025 Log a Load For Kids Auction - Donation Pledge Form" with this registration

# 2025 LOG A LOAD FOR KIDS AUCTION - DONATION PLEDGE FORM



Last year, the ALC Annual Conference Log A Load For Kids auction hit an all-time high. Help us spice up the auction action in the bayou and

# **GEAUX BIGGER IN 2025!**

The "National Log A Load For Kids - Supported by American Loggers Council" will donate all funds raised to the

**Louisiana Children's Miracle Network Hospitals** 

Pledge forms and checks will be accepted until Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup>

1455 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 400

Washington, DC 20004

Mailed items must be received prior to Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

\* Please include tracking and insurance

CONTACT INFORMATION					
Contact Person (first, last):					
Preferred Phone Number:	Email:				
DONOR INFORMATION					
Donor Name:					
List the Company o	List the Company or Name you would like to be recognized for the donation; write "Anonymous" if you wish to remain unnamed.				
– optional – <b>Donation in</b>	onor Of   Memory Of:				
	group, or organization you are honoring as you woul e listed as: Company or Individual Name – in [honor/n				
DONATION DETAILS					
☐ Monetary \$	The Auction Team will use monetary donations to purchase an item for you. Make check payable and send with this form to the American Loggers Council (address below) by: <b>Friday, September 5</b> <sup>th</sup> .				
Physical Item					
Item Name:					
Include the type of item o	and, if applicable, the brand name and model number	. Example: YETI Cooler - Tundra 45.			
Item Description:					
Provide a brief descriptio	n, including any key features, color and/or sizes, mate limited edition, autographed, expiration dates, etc.).	erials, ticket stadium/seats, package details, or special Example: key lime, 45-quart hard-sided cooler, etc.			
Item Value:					
Enter the estimated retail or fair market value - a best estimate if unknown - to help us with pricing and acknowledgment.					
Method of Item Delivery: ☐ Shipping It	tem Dropping Off at Conference				
WHERE TO GEAUX NEXT!					
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1. Let Us Know Your Item Is Coming	2. Get Your Item to Us (be sure to include	a copy of this form with your item)			
Send this form (and check if applicable)  By: Fri., September 5 <sup>th</sup>	Hand Deliver to the Conference On or Before: Wed., September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Ship Your Donation Items Must Arrive Before: Thurs. September 11 <sup>th</sup>			
Scan and Email:  office@americanloggerscouncil.com	To: Conference Registration Desk DoubleTree by Hilton Lafayette	Ship To: American Loggers Council c/o Louisiana Forestry Association			
Mail a copy of this completed form to American Loggers Council	:	2316 South MacArthur Drive Alexandria, LA 71301			